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Morning Mail East closes at 6:00
Evening Mail West " 7:15
Office open from 6 a. m. till 9 p. m. Money
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METHODIST—Rev. J. V. Wolf, Pastor. Sabbath School at 2 p. m. Services every alternate Sunday at 11 a. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening.
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SOCIETY NOTICES.

BENEVOLENT LODGE, No. 52, A. F. & A. M. meets on the first and third Saturday of each month. J. J. BAUMAN, W. M. H. C. WEGHOFF, Sec'y.
MEREDOSIA CHAPTER, No. 11, R. A. M. meets on the first and third Saturday of each month. H. C. WEGHOFF, H. P. CHAR. HEINZ, Sec'y.
MEREDOSIA COUNCIL, R. S. M. Regular meeting second Tuesday in each month. C. HEINZ, Sec'y. H. C. WEGHOFF, T. I. M.
MEREDOSIA LODGE, No. 128, I. O. O. F. meets every Thursday evening at Odd Fellows hall. JAMES SAVAGE, N. G. C. HEINZ, Sec'y.
A. O. U. W. meets every second and fourth Wednesday of each month.
A. E. RICHER, Rec. H. SCHAFER, M. W. JOE SMITH, Financier.
G. A. R. POST, No. 423, meets second Saturday of each month at Odd Fellows hall. HENRY HODGES, Com. DAN'L WEBSTER, Adj.

DR. C. R. RAY,
Physician and Surgeon.
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All Chronic Diseases a Specialty.
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Watch Maker & Jeweler,
Keeps constantly in stock
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A General Banking business conducted
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Horseshoeing, Wagon and Buggy re-
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ALL WORK GUARANTEED.

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JOB WORK of every description neatly
and promptly executed at this office.

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SCHOOL BOOKS,
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Paints Oils and Varnishes.

We keep a large and complete stock
and guarantee our prices as low as any for
same quality of goods.
Your Patronage Respectfully Soli-
cited.

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VERSAILLES, ILL.
First-class work at most reasonable
rates.

GIVE ME A CALL.

N. HARRIS,
Photographer & Jeweler.
In addition to my photo work I am prepared
to do all kinds of repairing, such as sew-
ing machines, musical instruments,
Watches, Clocks, Jewelry.
Can also furnish new all grades of any
of the above articles.

GIVE ME A CALL.
I will do you good work at a reason-
able price.

GEO. GEISS,
—Dealer in—
Fresh and Salt Meats.

Will pay the highest possible
price for

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PRICES ALWAYS REASONABLE.
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HENRY SCHAFER,
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HARNESS,
COLLARS,
ROBES, - WHIPS,
and all kinds of Horse Goods.

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Full and complete stock.
Undertaker and Embalmer.
A complete stock of Coffins, Caskets, Robes,
and Shrouds constantly on hand.

CHARGES REASONABLE AND SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.

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BIG 5 CENT
SANDWICH
—AT—
MILO RIPLEY'S,
SOUTH SIDE MAIN STREET,
MEREDOSIA, ILL.

OUR BUSINESS FIRMS.

Below we give a short sketch of the
business firms of the town as we found
them. We are glad to see the pluck
and energy and get up of these men.
They are drawing a large trade for
miles around them on account of the
close prices they are making on all
classes of goods, and the gentlemanly
manner in which they treat the pub-
lic. We bespeak for them in the fu-
ture unbounded success as a reward of
their business integrity.

F. EINSTMAN,
Dealer in grain, general merchandise
and at the head of the Anchor Milling
Company.

FARMERS' AND TRADERS' BANK,
Is an institution of the people. It has
been doing a profitable business ever
since it was instituted under the cor-
rect management of G. W. Graham,
president, and D. H. Lollis, cashier.

MRS. M. E. GEISS,
Is engaged in a general family grocery
store and is doing a good business.

C. RAY,
Our druggist carries a complete stock.
His room is full from cellar to garret.

OUR POSTOFFICE,
Is in the hands of Daniel Webster,
who knows how to be polite and ac-
commodating to Uncle Sam's custom-
ers, as well as to sling the mail bags
in an artistic manner.

MRS. H. WEGHOFF,
Hardware, stoves and tinware, and
agent for the McCormick binders.

PETER BAUMAN,
Is dealer in lumber, lime, sash, doors,
blinds, paints, farming implements,
and also carries a full line of hard-
ware.

D. WATT,
Jeweler and watchmaker, always keeps
a nice line of goods on hand.

MRS. M. VANDERLIP,
The landlady of the City Hotel, is al-
ways ready to feed the hungry.

J. H. CARVER,
Dealer in dry goods, clothing, hats,
caps, boots and shoes. He also carries
a full line of staple and fancy groce-
ries.

M. KNOWLAND,
Runs the livery and feed stable and
buys and sells horses. He keeps first-
class road horses and stylish double
and single rigs for hire at most reason-
able rates.

CHAS. HEINZ,
Is doing a general blacksmithing. He
is also dealer in farming implements.
Everybody knows Charlie.

JOSEPH SCHMITT,
Is carrying on general blacksmithing,
also dealer in plows and wagons.

HENRY SCHAFER,
In connection with his furniture and
undertaking business, is engaged in
the manufacture of harness.

DR. S. SMITH,
Keeps a private boarding house, and
is known among the elite as the Hotel
de Palmer.

N. HARRIS,
Is our photographer and is proficient
in his art.

A. E. RICHER,
Is our live boot and shoe dealer.
He carries everything in that line.

M. S. LEWINSON,
Carries a general line of dry goods,
boots, shoes and clothing. He is a
live business man.

MILO RIPLEY,
Keeps an exclusive beer saloon. Lager
beer, always fresh, cool and delicious.

C. H. PURNELL'S
Is a fashionable place to refresh your-
self with the finest whiskeys and
brandies.

HYNSINGER & GRAHAM,
Are engaged in a general merchandise
business and are known far and wide.

KEENER & PIKE,
Grain dealers. In addition to this
business they run a line of steamers
from St. Louis to Peoria, which is
known as the St. Louis and Peoria
Packet Company, with Capt. C. C.
Keener, president; Col. J. L. Pike,
vice president, and Capt. Charles Ro-
gers, secretary.

JOHN NEVILL,
Is the tonsorial artist of the town, and

if you will send him ready to
wait on you.

GEORGE GEISS,
Proprietor of the meat market,
always keeps on hand fresh and salt
meats, etc. He is doing a good busi-
ness.

HENRY GEISS,
Keeps the choicest brands liquor, and
the best of wines, with ice cold beer
always on tap.

BILLY ECKLES,
Keeps a fine line of confectionary,
nuts, etc.

DAVID SCHROOL & SON,
are our fishermen and at certain sea-
sons of the year do a large business.

JAKE RENFROW,
Does a large business fishing and ship-
ping all kinds of wild game.

GEO. QUELSE,
Does the stone work for the town and
country.

A. J. LESLIE,
Is our enterprising contractor and
builder, who will build you a house on
very short notice.

WALDO & BRACKENBURY,
Do a general painting and paper-hang-
ing business. They are both first-class
workmen and guarantee satisfaction.

BUD HALE,
Makes the hearts of the people warm
up towards him when he does their
hauling—he is so jovial about it.

ENOCH HYDE,
Does the plastering and bricklaying
for the town.

WM. HEISER,
Our ferryman, is polite and accomodat-
ing to the traveling public and will
take all who call on him across the
river on short notice.

MRS. M'NEAL,
Keeps the McNeal Hotel, where the
weary may find rest and the hungry go
away satisfied.

JAMES ANDERSON,
Our railroad agent, can always be
found at the depot. Jim is very popu-
lar among the traveling public.

WES STEPLIN,
Is the railroad section boss and Ben-
die Dunn has charge of the bridge.
Bennie is a fixture having been with
the company a good many years.

OUR PHYSICIANS,
W. H. Wackerle, F. A. Nevill and C.
Ray, will attend to the sick at any
time when called on.

OUR MILLINERS AND DRESS MAKERS,
Mrs. John Lawson, Mrs. Wm. Smith-
son, Mrs. Jacob Renslow and Mrs. Ed
Geiss can always be found at their
places of business, and are always
ready to show their handiwork and ar-
tistic tastes in the selection of these
goods.

ROYAL MOORE'S,
Is prepared to convey parties from the
depot by river to his splendid fishing
palace on the river, where he is pre-
pared to accommodate ladies and gen-
tlemen night or day at reasonable
rates.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOL,
Is under the efficient management of
Prof. Decker, principal, George Bur-
ris, grammar department, Miss Emma
James, intermediate department, and
Miss Lippert, primary department.

CHURCHES,
Methodist, German Methodist Epis-
copal and Lutheran.

SOCIETIES,
A. F. & A. M., Royal Arch Chapter,
I. O. O. F., A. O. U. W., Modern
Woodmen of America, Meredosia
Chapter R. M. A., and G. A. R. Post.

TOWN BOARD,
The town board is composed of the
following gentlemen: A. Waldo, Wm.
Miller, Henry Schaffer, L. Hodges,
president, Henry Wedghoff, Clerk,
Farmers and Traders' Bank, Treas-
urer. Wm. Apperson, Marshal, S. E.
Richer, police Justice.

BRASS BAND,
The Meredosia brass band is com-
posed of gentlemen of culture and fine
taste.

A census enumerator has found a
colored woman at Richmond, Va., who
has given birth to thirty-seven children
in twenty-two years—six triplets, six
twins and seven singles.

From Versailles.

Ethel Poudet returned from Baylis
Monday morning.

Mr. Mason, wife and child, of Mis-
souri, are the guests of Mrs. Minerva
Poudet.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Chenoweth, of
Bluffs, spent Sunday with relatives in
Versailles.

Rev. M. S. McCoy and family, of
DeLand, Ill., are visiting relatives in
this place.

Rev. and Mrs. McElfresh will go to
Jacksonville Tuesday to attend the M.
E. conference.

Miss Hattie Bradbury will go to
Lockport, Ill., Thursday to visit her
sister, Mrs. Thatcher.

The ladies of the M. E. church gave
a moonlight festival in the postoffice
yard Saturday evening.

B. R. Wilson and wife attended the
wedding of Miss Anna Fry, in Mt.
Sterling Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Lucinda Vandeventer and Fred
and Dora returned from their western
trip last Thursday evening.

There was a social dance at Wilson's
Hall Friday evening which was much
enjoyed by those in attendance.

U. C. Bell returned to this place
Saturday and will teach the winter
term of school at Vandeventer school
house.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hedenberg,
Miss Rosa Crawford and C. W. Stin-
son, of Meredosia, spent Sunday in
Versailles.

Misses Mary Purcell and Ida Hall
were in Meredosia between trains
Thursday evening. They went over to
see the town.

Ora Seeley who has been clerking for
Dr. McCabe, has returned to his home
in Rushville and Allie Bates is cler-
king for the Doctor.

W. W. Glaze attended lodge Satur-
day night for the first time since last
April. We are glad to see the im-
provement in his health.

We had a fine rain Sunday after-
noon and at night, which has laid the
dust, cooled the air and revived the
looks of things generally.

We understand Miss Clara Brady
and her sister, Mollie, will open a mil-
linery store in Mt. Sterling. We wish
them success in their new home.

Frank McCoy will sell his household
goods at public sale next Saturday as
he intends starting to Iowa this month
where he will make his home in the
future.

Uncle Tommy McCormick while
trying to drive a horse from the yard
Saturday evening was thrown down
and hurt so severely he has since been
confined to the house.

Rumor says we are to have quite a
change in some of the business firms
of our town. Thomas Vaughn has
bought out Brook Wright's stock and
Wm. Vaughn will buy Hill & Stin-
son's grocery store. J. R. Reid has
bought W. M. Reid's interest in their
store and taken his son, Ralph, and
Wm. Brady in partnership with him.
Versailles, Ill., Sept. 8th.

Re-union.

The 10th and 16th Illinois Regimen-
tal Association invite all surviving
members of the old brigade to join
with them at their annual re-union to
be held at Springfield, Ill., Oct. 15th
and 16th. The 10th and 16th Associ-
ations have made all preparations pos-
sible and the local committee of which
Adjutant H. W. Gash is chairman,
and Richmond Wolcott, is secretary,
has secured a portion of the State
House, and are attending to all de-
tails to make the meeting most enjoy-
able. Generals Pope and Morgan have
signified their intention of being pre-
sent. For information concerning hos-
tels, railroads, etc., address, Capt. R.
Wolcott, Springfield, Ill.

Notice.

Ladies will find it to their inter-
est to call and examine my millinery
goods before buying elsewhere. Re-
member the place, one door south of
Hill & Stinson's grocery store. Ver-
sailles.

Take Notice.

A natural-bred saddle stallion for
sale. For information enquire at this
office.

The Meredosian News.

HEDENBERG & STINSON,
PUBLISHERS.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1890.

Entered in the Postoffice at Meredosian, Ill., as Second Class Mail Matter.

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OUR BOW TO THE PUBLIC.

In offering this, the first issue of THE NEWS, to the reading public of Meredosian and surrounding country, and being the pioneer publishers of the prosperous little city we have no apologies to offer to those in whose moral and intellectual vineyard under other and different circumstances might have considered us trespassers. Nor have we many promises to make to those whom we sincerely desire to know as our friends and patrons.

Politically, we shall ever maintain an independence subservient to no political party, no local ring or clique, firmly adhering to the belief that honesty, intelligence and morality, are the three qualifications requisite in our public servants, despite his party standing as a republican, democrat, prohibitionist or mugwump. Independently we will ever be found advocating "the survival of the fittest."

We will not attempt to impose upon our readers any idea of philanthropy, for we are not here for the sole and only purpose of advocating or enhancing the prosperity of Meredosian, but while having the good of the community sincerely at heart, we are none the less fondly looking forward to the future prosperity of THE MEREDOSIAN NEWS and its proprietors. Being convinced that by conscientiously striving for the ultimate good and importance of the commonwealth will reward our honest endeavors with a rich and abundant harvest of public good will and financial importance, we will ever be found at the helm in calm or storm boldly steering the public ship into the safest haven.

Meredosian being the metropolis of the unexcelled grain producing valley of the Illinois river, and a shipping point exceeded by but few towns in the state, we shall keep the best interest of the farmer and his noble industry steadfastly in view. We will make it our aim to strike at the vitals of fraud in whatever guise we may find it, and to the best of our ability defend virtue and right in their purity, and like the renowned journalist and statesman, Horace Greeley, "we will hew to the line and let the chips fall upon whomsoever gets under."

Our motto shall be "Independent in all things, neutral in none." Give us a fair amount of patronage, fellow citizens, and we will try to give measure for measure.

THE new \$1,000 treasury notes bear a portrait of General Mead, and they said to be very artistic productions. Few people will ever be privileged to get a good look at them, however.

In China two people of the same name are forbidden to marry. The government fears too many Wun Lung and Hop Loo people. This would crush the Smiths if they were over there.

THE late John Boyle O'Reilly was one of the few literary men of the country who earned a handsome income by his pen. His work was eagerly sought after at his own price, and he was sufficiently thrifty to find the best market for it.

THE Duke of Fife started life with an enormous fortune, to which he has steadily added. Everything he touches seems to turn to gold. Stock in the London Trust Company purchased by him some years ago at \$150 a share is now valued at \$45,000 a share.

THE Missfeld, Mich., postmaster has issued a formal notice that he won't lick stamps for anybody, and that hereafter letters dropped in his mailbox with two-cent stamps don't go. He says the letters will be sold for postage even if a 15-cent stamp is attached.

One thousand broom corn cutters in the vicinity of Tuscola have struck for an advance in pay.

THE bust of Uncle Hannibal Hamlin was lately placed in the Senate chamber, it is said to be the first case where a statue of a living man has ever been erected by the government of the United States. Uncle Hannibal likewise enjoys the distinction of being the only living ex-Vice President.

Additional Local.

—Will Heiser and wife spent Sunday in Naples, the guests of their friends.

—We are now prepared to receive subscriptions for THE NEWS. Leave your name and cash at once.

—James Carbaugh, a collier, living in the mountain near Mont Alto, Pa., killed eighty-seven copperhead snakes, a few days ago.

—The steamer DeClyde, of St. Louis, Capt. Carl Sibley in command, passed up the river Tuesday morning headed for the Kingston coal bank.

—Last Monday John Edwards, of Griggsville, was arrested charged with committing a rape on a Miss Emily Scepter, of Valley City. He was bound over to await the action of the grand jury.—Baylis Guide.

—The preliminaries are being arranged for a wrestling match between H. V. Harshman of this place, and Johnson, of Siloam Springs. The match will be for \$100 a side, and will probably take place at or near Siloam.—Baylis Guide.

—Winn Bros. sold their apples to a Washington, D. C. fancy fruit buyer last week, by the barrel. They will be shipped to Washington and eaten by congressmen and other big guns of that city. Messrs Winn refused \$3,000 for their twelve acre orchard from two parties.—Independent Press.

—Married, in Meredosian, Sunday, Aug. 30, by the Rev. Roubenstein, of Springfield, Miss Rosa Lewinson to Marcus Brash. The bride was one of Meredosian's most lovely and accomplished young ladies, and the groom one of Beardstown's most popular young men. The couple left for Beardstown, their future home, Sunday evening. We wish them unalloyed happiness through life.

Misses Corset Waists at

M. E. GEISS.

—We clip the following from the Mt. Sterling Examiner of last week: The railroad depot in this city, and also at Mt. Station were burglarized last Saturday night, and a number of articles, stolen, though nothing of great value, was secured by the burglars at either place. The depot at Hersman was also burglarized the same night with like result. A man who gives his name as Wm. Caldwell was arrested at Meredosian on Tuesday last and brought to this city by Sheriff Shankland. He had in his possession a pair of gloves belonging to Frank Curry which were taken from the depot here, and a razor and some copper cents and other coins taken from the Mt. Station depot. He was taken before the police magistrate here Thursday morning and waived examination and was held to bail for his appearance at circuit court in the sum of \$500 in each case, and in default was remanded to jail. Caldwell virtually admits being a party to the burglaries at this place and Mt. Station, though disclaims any connection with or knowledge of the Hersman burglary. He says that he came across a man named Chas. Carson, claiming to be a shoemaker, residing in St. Louis, and to have been on his way there when he (Caldwell) was induced by Carson, to make a predatory excursion across the country with him. The train seemed to be doing an active though not very profitable business.

D. Watts is the place to buy your watches, clocks, jewelry and specialties.

Grand Social Dance.

A grand social dance will be given at Elstman's Hall, on Wednesday evening, Sept. 17th. Let everybody come and have a good time. Tickets 75 cents. JOE HEISER, Com.

The Anti-Tobacco Law.

New York, Aug. 30.—The anti-cigarette law passed by the session of the legislature went into effect at 12 o'clock. It provides that no child, actually or apparently under 16 years of age, shall smoke or in any way use cigars, cigarettes, or tobacco in any form whatever, in public street, place or resort, and that any violation of this act shall be a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than ten dollars or less than two dollars. The police are especially empowered to arrest offenders, no warrant being required. The law was drawn with great care so as to prohibit the use, not only of tobacco, but cigarettes also, and it therefore cannot be evaded on the plausible ground that cigarettes are not tobacco. Even cubans are included in the edict.

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GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS

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J. H. CARVER.

MEREDOSIA, ILL.

WATCH THIS

SPACE

NEXT WEEK

J. P. BAUJAN,

DEALER IN

LUMBER,

SASH, DOORS, BLINDS,

Lime, Hair, Plaster Paris,

AND CEMENT.

AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS

AND:

ROAD CARTS

C. H. PURNELL,

DEALER IN

LIQUORS

AND

TOBACCOS

AND IMPORTED WINES.

MEREDOSIA, ILLINOIS

CLEVELAND BROS.,

GENERAL MACHINISTS

—AND—

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STOVES,

TINWARE,

Gasoline Stoves, Fence Wire, Etc.

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North Side Main Street next door to Post-

office, Meredosian, Illinois.

The Meredosian News.

When no time is specified, advertisements and local notices will be published until ordered discontinued.

MEREDOSIA AND VICINITY.

—Lard, 7c.

—Oats, 35c.

—Corn, 40c.

—Meal, 80c.

—Eggs, 12c.

—Wheat, 90c.

—Flour, 61.40.

—Butter, 12c.

—Bran, 75c. cwt.

—Coarse Meal, 60c.

—Shipstuf, 80c. cwt.

—Hogs, \$3.75 to \$4.00.

—Potatoes, \$1. to \$1.20.

—Sweet Potatoes, \$1.40.

—Mixed Feed, 75c. cwt.

—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.

—G. W. Graham has returned from Chicago.

—The Fish Commissioner was here last Thursday.

—The steamer D. H. Pike will be up Sunday afternoon.

—Miss Rose Crawford was visiting in Camp Point last week.

—A. J. Hawk and wife, of Versailles were in Meredosian last week.

—Jim Newton, of Chambersburg, was on our streets Thursday.

—Horace Turnham was a business caller at Jacksonville Thursday.

—Mrs. Harker, of Jacksonville, visited at Dr. Wackerle's last week.

—F. Einmann was in St. Louis last week laying in his fall stock of goods.

—Beardstown people are working hard to get their new water-cure sanitarium.

—John Cox, Wash agent at Hersman, had business in Meredosian on Tuesday.

—Miss Belle Barlow, of Mt. Sterling, visited friends in the city a few days last week.

—Messrs. Al Geiss, of Mt. Sterling, and Seely, of Rushville, were in the city several days last week.

—George Turnham and wife, Miss Weeks and D. Watts attended the Adams county fair Thursday.

—Misses Mary Porell and Ida Hall, of Versailles, were in our place on Thursday evening of last week.

—Mrs. J. A. Price, of this place, was caller at our sanctum Thursday and was the first to leave her subscription to THE NEWS.

—The sixty-seventh Illinois annual conference is in session at Jacksonville this week, commencing Wednesday and ending Saturday.

—Isaac Benbow, nephew of Jake, Allen Beeler and Tom Holman, of Wayne, Ind., arrived here Thursday on a hunting and fishing expedition.

—A large crowd assembled on the river bank last Sunday afternoon to witness the immersion of Mesdames W. J. Hale and Wm. Black. Rev. J. V. Wolf conducted the ceremony.

—While burning off his stubble one day last week M. P. Andre, who lives five miles east of this place, came near destroying a large quantity of wheat which was piled upon the ground in the field. Luckily no serious damage was done, the fire scorching only one or two sacks.

—While in Chicago buying our outfit we were royally entertained by the Messrs. Shiedewand & Lee Co., manufacturers and jobbers of printers machinery. We recommend all printers who are intending to purchase new material to call on them, and we will guarantee them excellent treatment.

—John L. Pike purchased a very fine team of carriage horses for A. B. Cole, of St. Louis, last week. Mr. Pike shipped them to Mr. Cole by the steamer, D. H. Pike, Tuesday. The team is a very fine one and took first premium at Jacksonville as a carriage team. John knows a good horse when he sees it.

—William T. Hedenberg, who has been foreman of this office for the past two years, and Charles Stinson, of the Golden Advance, will start a new paper to be known as the Meredosian News in a few days. Hedenberg is a first-class printer and Stinson is a good hustler, which are powerful elements in making a paper go.—Camp Point Journal.

—The Rushville creamery has suspended business, the manager having become financially involved and left for parts unknown, leaving his numerous creditors to hold the bag to the tune of about \$2,000. Attachments for amounts varying from small sums to over \$100, have been issued, against the plant. It seems that it has been operated at a loss for two years.

—Ed. Irving, of Chambersburg, was in town last Friday.

—Mrs. Dr. Kinnman and wife are visiting friends in this place.

—The Fish Commissioner was here, Lotus, is anchored here.

—The boys are getting their knives in shape preparatory to cutting corn.

—T. D. Richardson, of Jacksonville, was in town last Wednesday and made a business trip to the Locks.

—C. A. Catlin, of Jacksonville, was in town last Wednesday and made a business trip to the Locks.

—J. Musch, who lives five miles east of this place, threshed 230 acres of wheat which averaged twelve bushels to the acre.

—We invite our friends to call and see us as we have an entire new outfit and we think one of the best in this part of the state.

—Herman's Hobrock, a former resident of Meredosian, but now of Orville, was in town last Thursday. He gave THE NEWS a call while here.

—Go to J. H. Carver for a fine hat.

—The Beardstown ferry passed down last Friday loaded with tilling tools. Shaw's landing and bound for Bloom's landing, near the mouth of the river.

—Go to J. H. Carver's for a fine suit of clothes.

—A burgoon was held in Mathews' Grove on the old Dave Crawford place, about five miles east of here last Wednesday. A very large crowd was in attendance, being estimated at from 300 to 400, and all indulged in a general good time. Horse racing was the main attraction in the afternoon, which, we understand, created much interest and excitement. A large crowd from this place attended.

J. H. Carver wants all the people to call and see his fine stock of goods.

—The public school opened Monday, Sept. 1st, with Prof. Decker as principal, George Burris, grammar department, Miss Emma James, intermediate department, and Miss Lippert, primary department. The total enrollment on the first day of school was 165 scholars. The school starts out under very favorable circumstances, and we think under Prof. Decker's principalship it will be a successful term.

—Go to J. H. Carver's for all wool blankets.

—A new scheme is being worked by a man and woman who are traveling through the country getting married at convenient points. Their scheme is to give the minister a twenty-dollar bonus bill on each occasion, and receive ten or fifteen dollars in good money in exchange. At last accounts they had been joined in matrimony forty-nine times, and were again engaged and on the hunt of a preacher to tie the fiftieth nuptial knot for them.—Gate City.

—Dry goods in all styles at J. H. Carver's.

—Last Saturday morning about 5:30 o'clock Jacob Voeller, an extra conductor on the C. R. & Q., while acting as brakeman, at Swan Creek, was accidentally run over and killed. He was making a coupling and at the same time walking backward, and caught his foot in the guard rail which caused him to fall on his back and the car passed diagonally over his body from the right foot up the body just below the left shoulder, severing it in four places. The remains were taken to Beardstown.—Aronville Argus.

—Ladies go to J. H. Carver's and see a line of fine plush jackets.

—We clip the following from the Meeker, (Colo.) Herald of August 30th, in regard to Ross Chambers, of Jacksonville: "Ross Chambers, the young man who accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Wash to this place some weeks ago, met with quite a painful accident last Saturday. It seems he was oiling some machinery at the new planing mill, and by some accident got his right hand so badly injured that the middle finger of his right hand had to be amputated. Dr. Bruner performed the operation."

—Go to J. H. Carver's for your notions and dry goods.

—Last Sunday we had the pleasure of visiting the boat house of Captain G. C. Keener, and inspecting his fine pleasure yacht, the Dispatch. To explain the magnificence of the house and yacht is beyond our ability. Everything is in the best of shape, not a thing being out of place. To say that the yacht is finely constructed does not half explain its brilliancy and workmanship. It is trimmed with brass from stem to stern and carries about thirty passengers. We were shown around by Mr. Keener who will accept our thanks. The yachtsman's boat house is elegant, and surpasses anything of the kind we have ever seen.

—Low rates on the Wabash to the Exposition and big Fall at Springfield, September 8th to 12th inclusive. The Wabash will sell excursion tickets at one fare for the round trip. The largest number and best character of attractions ever seen at any fair in the state have been provided for the Exposition. In the way of Roman chariot races, hurdle races, trotting, racing and running races, ten mile running race, lady riders, and a running race between thoroughbred teams to skittish wagons. All the departments will be crowded with the various broods of livestock and such articles as are exhibited at the leading fairs and agricultural shows.

—Go to J. H. Carver's for great bargains.

—Pawpaws are ripe.

—The peach crop is immense.

—Frank Wilson Sundayed in Naples.

—Joe Heiser went to the Locks on Monday.

—The Adams county fair last week was a success.

—Fishing seems to be good down near the bridge.

—Harve Wilson, of Mt. Sterling, was in town Sunday.

—Harry Andre went to Jacksonville Monday morning.

—Watermelons are selling at a penny each at the patch.

—Pete Taylor left for Uniontown, Kansas, Monday evening.

—Lewis Kellogg, of Naples, was a visitor in

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MEREDOSIA, ILLINOIS.

FRANCIS E. WILLARD, president of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, denies the rumor that an alliance with the Salvation Army is contemplated by the union.

The Board of Aldermen of New York City declare that the census enumeration shows at least 200,000 less than the actual population of the city, and a move for a recount is being made.

It appears that the reports of destruction in Oklahoma are not well founded. The principal want is seed wheat, and the Government can very properly give such assistance, the same thing having been done in other cases, with good results.

EXPERIMENTS are now being conducted in the English channel off Folkestone in order to test the geological structure of the seabed, as it has been proposed to construct a bridge across the Straits of Dover to France.

The widow of General Grant and his son, the Minister to Austria, have both expressed their willingness that the remains of the Old General should be removed to Washington; and objections from any other source will hardly be apt to cut much figure.

The new cruiser Philadelphia seems to be swifter even than the older ones which have been added to this branch of the navy in the past two or three years. In some respects, at least, the United States will soon be able to dub herself mistress of the seas.

It is proposed to consolidate the Territory of Utah with the State of Nevada. A bill having this end in view will probably be presented early at the next session of Congress. Nevada's population is shown by the census just taken to be less than 50,000, and the expenses of the State government have become very burdensome.

NEW JERSEY has 3,748 miles of railroad. By accidents of all sorts during the last year 740 persons were injured, 380 of them fatally. Two-thirds of those injured, but less than one-third of those killed, were employees. This seeming anomaly is explained by the statement that many trains walking along the tracks were struck and killed by trains.

OCCASIONALLY justice takes a sport and does business up with "neatness and dispatch," as is indicated in the case of a Kentucky negro who was caught with the horse of an Indiana farmer in his possession at midnight, and who before another set had set, found himself in the penitentiary serving a two years and six months sentence.

It may be that some unworthy persons have secured pensions in this country, but certainly the deserving ones have not been so badly treated that such a scene will ever be possible here as that which took place the other day in London, where members of the survivors of Balaclava marched in an anniversary procession clad in the conspicuous uniforms of the poor-house.

The mosquito crop has proved as great a failure in Andalusia, New York, N. J., as the peach crop has in the rest of the State. But the law of compensation is at work, having launched a plague of fleas upon the community, the persistent attentions of which is productive of many amusing antics by the "flicky insects" victimizing the streets, in the cars, in their homes, and in fact, everywhere.

LOUIE SACKVILLE is making a back-handed play at America by endeavoring to maintain his alleged rights as lord of the manor and charging ground rent for the site on which the Shakespeare memorial fountain erected by Americans, at Stratford-on-Avon stands.

A DISPATCH from the City of San Salvador says that General Echea is in demand in forming a legal government for the Salvador Republic, preparatory to demanding recognition from foreign powers.

MR. MICHAEL DAVITT has sent half a million cabbage roots to the districts in Ireland affected by the potato blight. It is hoped that the cabbage crop will, to a considerable extent, mitigate the distress caused by the potato famine.

On the 6th of June Howard, one of the best-known politicians in Michigan, died at Flint, from grief caused by the loss of his only child, Mrs. May Howard.

ON the 7th Lillian Grubb, the opera singer, died in Baltimore, Md.

AT Philadelphia, Charles McIntyre went home drunk about three o'clock on the morning of the 3d, and a lamp which set fire to the house and caused the death by suffocation and burning of his mother, sister and adopted sister.

JACK CHOCKETT, aged nineteen, a bill-poster, was killed at Des Moines, Ia., on the night of the 3d while on top of a building witnessing a fire-work display. By some mischance he caught hold of a live electric light wire and received a fatal shock. His hands were buried in a terrible manner.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

CONGRUOUS PROCEEDINGS.

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His Wife and Furniture Gone.

Thomas W. Belcham, an iron merchant of Bloomington, returned the other night from a business trip to Missouri, and to his surprise found his home deserted and the domicile devoid of every thing in the furniture line. Mrs. Belcham, with her mother, had sold all the household effects, receiving \$800 for them, and had departed. It is believed they are enroute for their former home in London, England. Belcham is endeavoring to intercept them, making free use of the wires. Belcham, of late, it is said, has been a hard drinker, which is the supposed cause of his wife leaving him.

An Indian Graveyard.

The discovery of an Indian graveyard near Decatur has awakened interest. It is on the Alfred Dennis place, two miles southeast of Decatur, where a contractor has been taking out gravel to improve country roads. Six skeletons have been discovered in the gravel bank, several found as if put in their graves in a slitting position. The skulls and jaws are large, as are also the bones of the limbs. Quite a number of people have visited the gravel bank and have viewed the skeletons, which are believed to be those of Wyandotte and Shawnee Indians.

Old Settlers on a Lark.

The old settlers of Champaign County held their twentieth annual reunion a few days ago. Six thousand people were in attendance. Six men, over sixty years of age, and residents of the county for more than forty years, ran a race. J. Kirkpatrick, of Champaign, winning. Mr. Kirkpatrick also took the prize in the old man's horse race. Mrs. Mary Voss, aged seventy-five, carried off the honors for being the best lady home back rider.

An Infantile Wanderer.

The other night a lost child was picked up on the streets of Urbana, and was taken charge of by the family of Mr. James Leeb. The child is three years old, and does not know where his home is; in fact, it can't talk plain enough for any one to make out its name. From what the child tries to say persons think it came there on the name of Mr. Leeb.

Sued for Slender.

H. W. Wolfe, a morecher of Atlanta, has been sued by his divorced wife for \$10,000 damage for slander. She produced a divorce from him at the last term of court. She is the daughter of one of the wealthiest citizens of that place.

Instantly Killed.

Frank Dure, aged seventy years, was instantly killed while trying to cross the railroad tracks at Leland. He was driving a horse-drawn wagon, and was killed by a passing train.

A Big Firm's Failure.

Sawyer, Wallace & Co., of New York, with a branch in Chicago, have failed for \$2,000,000. They were commission dealers, and the effect of their failure was felt in every market in the United States and London.

A Dog Worth Owning.

John Oppenheimer, was attacked by a vicious bull the other day, and badly injured. His life was saved by a farm dog that came to his assistance. The dog and the bull had a terrible fight.

Aurora Watch Factory Sold.

The Aurora Watch Factory was sold the other day by the manager in charge to satisfy bonds, the plant being bid in for \$25,000. The factory will be started again as soon as possible.

Found Dead in Bed.

Mrs. Louisa Frankhouse, aged sixty, wife of George W. Frankhouse, was found dead in bed at Decatur a few days ago. The coroner's jury ascribed death to disease as the cause of death.

A Dying Man Pardoned.

Curtis W. Robinson was pardoned from the penitentiary a few days ago by the Governor. Robinson was sent from McLean County, and is dying of consumption.

A Boarding-House Trust.

Chicago boarding-house and restaurant keepers are discussing the feasibility of forming a trust to place a uniform scale of prices before their patrons.

Suffering from Low Water.

The boats giving Nantux to go by since the water fall. Warho are full of sacks awaiting shipment to New Orleans, but the boats will not like them.

Black Diphtheria.

Quite a number of cases of black diphtheria have developed at Peoria. The Board of Health has closed several schools until September 2d.

New Quail Bill.

John Peil, a well-known young farmer near Monticello, blew out his brain. No cause is known.

Sudden Death.

Mrs. George W. Dawson, a prominent resident of Peoria County, died very suddenly of apoplexy, aged fifty years.

ILLINOIS TAXES.

The State Board of Equalization Again Discusses the Scott Resolution—Chicago Assessor Must Appear and Answer Questions.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Sept. 8.—Judge Scott's resolution was adopted by the State Board of Equalization at its session in Concord, N. H., last week. It declared the opinion of the board to be that real and personal property of this State, as returned by the local assessors for the year 1903, is assessed at 25 per cent. of its fair cash value. Mr. Boone, of Stark County, wanted to amend by striking out 25 percent and inserting 50 percent. He was opposed to the amendment and personal property in his district had been assessed at fully one-third of its fair cash value. The object of the resolution was to form a basis for the assessment of railroad property and the capital stock of corporations. "I am not inclined," he said, "to vote that the lands and personal property in my district shall be assessed at one-third of their fair cash value, and the railroads and corporations at one-fourth their actual value. If we are to form any kind of a basis here let us make it equitable and just, so that the lands and personal property in my district shall be assessed at one-third of their fair cash value, and the railroads and corporations at one-fourth their actual value."

Judge Scott was satisfied that the real and personal property in his own district was assessed at more than 25 per cent. of its actual value, but he did not think that was the value of the State at large. He believed the real and personal property of the State to be assessed at 25 per cent. of its fair cash value. The object of the resolution was to form a basis for the assessment of railroad property and the capital stock of corporations. "I am not inclined," he said, "to vote that the lands and personal property in my district shall be assessed at one-third of their fair cash value, and the railroads and corporations at one-fourth their actual value. If we are to form any kind of a basis here let us make it equitable and just, so that the lands and personal property in my district shall be assessed at one-third of their fair cash value, and the railroads and corporations at one-fourth their actual value."

Major Blodgett, of Cook County, opposed both the amendment and the original resolution. "You talk about making it equitable," he said, "I have no doubt that along the borders of this State there are rich and poor. I have no doubt that along the borders there are rich and untaxed cold fields. With that I have nothing to do. We are talking about the property of the State. I doubt if this property is assessed at one-fourth of its actual value. In the north-west corner of the State, but in Southern Illinois I am satisfied that real and personal property is not assessed at one-fourth of its fair cash value."

Mr. Boone's amendment was voted down by a large majority and the resolution was adopted. The board then turned to the question of the Scott Resolution. "I have no doubt that along the borders of this State there are rich and poor. I have no doubt that along the borders there are rich and untaxed cold fields. With that I have nothing to do. We are talking about the property of the State. I doubt if this property is assessed at one-fourth of its actual value. In the north-west corner of the State, but in Southern Illinois I am satisfied that real and personal property is not assessed at one-fourth of its fair cash value."

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An Indian Mound on the Banks of the Illinois River Opened.

The Virginia (Cass county) Gazette has the following interesting report of the opening of an old Indian mound near that place:

On the other side of the river are a series of six mounds, not far apart, in to one of which some farmer boys recently commenced an excavation in search of gold or silver, or other imaginary wealth. This intelligence coming to the ears of Dr. Snyder, our archaeologist and the local correspondent of the Smithsonian institution, he lost no time in going over there and making a systematic and careful examination of that ancient earthen sepulchre. The doctor's description of it in detail will be shortly prepared for the Smithsonian annual report; but anticipating this, he has kindly given us the following account of what he found: The mound opened is 200 feet in length at the base, and 100 feet broad by thirty feet in height. In its center a slight depression of the surface was noticed, and at that point an excavation twelve feet square was carried down, with side cutting for the removal of the earth taken out. The mounds are built on the alluvial soil of the river bottom, but are constructed altogether of clay taken from the adjacent bluffs. It was found that this mound was a tumulus, or the monument of a distinguished personage. Its construction was commenced by erecting a platform of clay five feet high and twelve wide, its length not yet determined. Upon this a fire had been built to bake the surface hard. On this gigantic tier was deposited several thousands of black flints, oval in outline, flat on one side and convex on the other, averaging four inches in diameter and nearly an inch in thickness in the middle. In 1890 a deposit of thirty-five hundred flints was found near Frederick in Schuyler county, buried about four feet deep; and in 1872, when digging a cellar near the river bank at Beardstown, another deposit of the same flints, numbering fifteen hundred, at the same depth below the surface. In this large mound the flints had been laid regularly in six layers, and even as shingles are placed on a roof, forming a bed eight wide by fourteen feet in length. On this flinty surface the body of the great chief had been laid with his head to the east, and probably wrapped in the furs of animals and dressed skins. Around this funeral couch a tomb of logs had been erected a few feet high and covered with other logs of huge size; some of them fully eighteen inches to two feet in diameter. Over all this, clay, taken from the bluffs, was thrown to form the mound of the dimensions stated. On the forehead of the decayed skeleton was found a crescent-shaped ornament of thin hammered copper; at each side of the head was a spoon-shaped ear ornament, also of hammered copper; and on the breast had been placed a large sheet of mica that no doubt had served as a mirror. On one side of the skull was a small pottery vase of peculiar form; and on the other side was half of a sea-shell with its inner whorl cut out so as to form a drinking cup. In one hand was a small stone axe, and in the other several arrow and spear heads of flint, a few bone awls and fragments of a large sea-shell. All of these objects, including 5,000 of the flint discs, were secured by Dr. Snyder and added to his collection. The skeleton of the mighty warrior, to whose memory this immense earthen monument was erected, was decayed so that only the enamel of the teeth could be identified; and the skull of the logs that had enclosed it, having long ago been resolved into dust, leaving nothing but their forms mouldered in the clay.

The mound builders who buried their dead chief here in such majestic style were Indians, but of what tribe of Indians, and what was their origin and destiny: whence they came and where they went, are problems not yet solved; but the internal evidence of this mound marks it as of very high antiquity, to be calculated only by centuries. Dr. Snyder says, we have satisfactory proof that all those mound stones (flint) discs found in this mound as well as all similar ones found at Frederick, Beardstown, and other points in the West, were made at Flint Ridge, in Muskingum county, Ohio, and it is supposed by some archaeologists were buried along our rivers as propitiatory offerings to the spirits of

gods, of the streams. It is the doctor's opinion that the flints were tools for shaping and digging out canoes, and as such, were fit and appropriate objects for votive offerings to appease the wrath of the river gods and insure success on the water in fishing, fighting or navigation.

From Arensville.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Dickerson have been visiting at Concord.

Miss Lula Schafer spent last week at Beardstown the guest of Mrs. Henry Schafer.

T. D. Richardson, of Jacksonville, was here last week soliciting for the Courier.

We noticed J. L. Richardson, of Beardstown, was on our streets one day last week.

J. Dresbach purchased a house and lot of John Kern. We did not learn the consideration.

Sam McDonald, John Lovelamp, Chas. Yeck and F. Hiernan, left last week for Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mrs. Beauchamp and Miss Clara Hillig, of your town, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. Coffield last week.

John Herbert, of Arkansas, arrived here Tuesday of last week on a visit with relatives and friends. John is a former resident of this place.

N. Hiltner and family, of Nashville, Tenn., returned to their home last Friday after a few weeks visit with friends and relatives in this place.

We understand that a Mr. McPherson, from some where near Mt. Sterling, is going to teach one of the schools on North Prairie this fall.

Quite a number of our citizens attended the barbecue given by the Farmers' Alliance at Virginia. They report a large crowd and a good time.

Our school began week ago last Monday with H. Coffield, principal, Miss Louisa Rauch, intermediate and Miss Ellen Dresbach, primary department.

Dr. Biggs and family departed for Adair last week, where he expects to locate and practice his profession. We loath to part with the Doctor and his estimable family. They made many friends during their short stay among us.

A Ripe Melon.

Do you know how to tell good melons from bad ones; the ripe from the unripe? If not, list to the Lewiston Journal. It quotes a fruit grower, wise in his generation, as saying that the muskmelon usually has nine ridges, which are separated by narrow strips of smooth skin, and if these are given the melon is a good one to leave alone. On the other hand, if the stripes are greenish yellow and the rough skin on the edges are brownish gray, the melon is all right. It is added that "in watermelons, a good one, when pressed near the center, should yield, and the indentation should disappear when the finger is removed. If no indent can be made the melon is green. If it remains it is overripe." From time to time the public is thus kindly informed how to select trust-worthy melons. But, although they carefully follow directions—particularly in respect to indentation—they frequently meet with cruel disappointment. In fact an impression is rapidly gaining ground that the melon is about as uncertain as the white man. Indeed, the remark which the white man once inspired may be applied to the melon—"the smilingest is often the deceivingest."

Public Sale.

I will sell at my residence on the W. H. Ravenscroft farm at Versailles, on Thursday, September 18, the following described property: Two work horses, 4 and 5 years old; 1 mare 4 years old; 12-year old filly; 12-year old horse; 2 yearling fillies; 3 suckling colts, 4 good milch cows and calves; 5 2-year old steers; 9 2-year old heifers; two calves; 1 full-blood Jersey bull; 7 sows; 50 pigs; 40 shoats; 1 Chester-White boar 10 months old; 39 acres corn in field; 2 good farm wagons; 2 set double harness; 1 pulverizer; 2 cultivators; 3 horse harrow, one horse harrow, 1 wheat drill, 1 hay rake; 1 corn planter; 1 good breaking plow; 22 fine Toulouse and White Emblem geese; and other things too numerous to mention.

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The population of the United States will exceed 64,000,000.

The passage of a bill prohibiting the use of the mails by lottery will be a hard blow to the Louisiana affair.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our regular correspondence.)
WASHINGTON, D. C. Sept. 8.—Politicians of both parties are displeased with the methods of their respective Congressional Campaign Committee, and, strange to say, both of the committees are accused of doing the same thing—working in the interest of the Presidential candidates for '92 instead of to elect members of the next House. Democrats say that Representative Rowell P. Flower, of New York, chairman of their committee, is using the committee to organize machinery to make him the next presidential candidate of his party; republicans say that Representative Belden, of New York, chairman of their committee, is using the committee to push Speaker Reed's presidential boom; and it is also said that Mr. Clarkson, who has just retired from the postoffice department, is in charge of the Reed boom, having concluded that Mr. Maine whom he has been supporting for years, would never again be a candidate.

Representative Kennedy's unparliamentary attack upon the majority of the Senate, and upon Senator Quay in particular, is still the principal topic of conversation here. His action is generally repeated, even by those in sympathy with his abuse of Mr. Quay. The speech was in bad taste, and coming as it did just after the recent disgraceful scenes in the House, it has added to the public feeling in favor of reform in the popular branch of Congress. The speech has not been printed in the Record, and it is understood that Mr. Kennedy will "review" the objectionable portions before it is printed. But what good will that do? Already the great newspapers of the country have scattered the language broadcast.

It is by no means certain that the Senate will act at this session upon the bills which the House has already passed at the request of the Farmers' Alliance and the labor organization, although a strong effort is being made in their behalf. The tariff bill will not be finally disposed of until Wednesday, possibly Thursday of next week; then the anti-lottery bill has the first call; the River and Harbor bill as reported from the conference committee is waiting for a chance, the House having adopted the conference report, and there are various other things which will antagonize the first named measures; making their chances dubious. Still, the influence of the Farmers' Alliance, which was strong enough to cause the Senate to vote to put binding-twine on the free list in spite of the opposition of those in charge of the tariff bill, is not to be sneezed at.

The sigh of relief from the press gallery of the Senate on the end of the tariff debate was doubtless duplicated by millions of patent newspaper readers in every section of the country, and by every one of the Senators themselves, as they are probably more thoroughly tired of the subject than other persons.

The White House is undergoing its annual house cleaning, which always includes a couple coats of white paint for the outside, while Mr. Harrison and his family are away. Rumors concerning the investigation of Commissioner of Pensions Raum are flying thick and fast. One says the Commissioner has decided to resign, another that Secretary Noble has requested the President to dismiss him, and there are others which intimate that Representative Cooper, who is the case in the investigation, is preparing to make a startling exposure of certain questionable real estate transactions in which the Commissioner is involved. What makes many of these rumors believed is the action of the radical republican New York Tribune, which is widely read here, in almost daily printing attacks upon Raum's management of the Pension office. Gen. Raum states in the most positive language that he will not resign. His position is certainly an unenviable one, and "Corporal" Turner would be excusable for exhibiting a little "ghoulish glint" now and then.

A bill has been introduced in the House for the retirement of the national bank circulation and the redemption in greenbacks, to be issued for the purpose, of the bonded indebtedness of the country.

The cattle men have been given until December 1, to remove their stock from the Cherokee strip. This is an extension of two months.

Whether we are to have a recess, an extra session or a regular adjournment has not apparently been determined upon by the majority in Congress. In another week we shall probably know more about it.

Senator Farwell Ill.

WASHBURN, Wisconsin, Sept. 5.—Senator Chas. E. Farwell is lying dangerously ill at the Fountain House in this city, and his family and most intimate friends, as well as physicians in charge almost despair of his ultimate recovery. Walter Farwell, a son of the Senator, said this afternoon that Mr. Farwell's illness is not regarded as serious. Overwork and mental fatigue have rendered his health very uncertain, but his family say he is very successfully treated, and they expect he will be able to come home and be on his feet again by the latter part of this week or the beginning of next.

Chicago seems to have lost all interest in the proposed World's Fair. The rest of the country is in the same "fix." Let the date be changed to 1903.

The decrease in the volume of national bank notes outstanding is to be regretted, but it is pleasing to know that the aggregated circulation of all sorts is rapidly on the increase.

Big Burgoo and Horse Racing!

There will be a Burgoo and Horse Racing at Meredosia,

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SOCIETY NOTICES.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our regular correspondence.)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15, 1890.

There will be no financial panic. So say the men who ought to know all about such things. Even if the tariff bill should go into effect October 1, as is provided as it now stands, Treasury officials state that not more than \$10,000,000 will be needed by the importers to get all of their goods out of the bonded warehouses, and the lack of that amount, if it was lacked, which the authorities deny, certainly could not cause any serious money trouble. Besides prominent men of both political parties are investigating the matter, and the opinion is unanimous among them that the Conference committee will change the date on which the tariff bill is to go into effect, if there is the slightest indication that the date now in effect—October 1—will disarrange the business of the country. In fact the date is almost certain to be changed anyway, as it is hardly possible for the bill to be finally passed, signed by the President, and placed in the hands of the Customs officials at every port in the United States by October 1.

The bill is now in the hands of the House committee on Ways and Means, which has decided to recommend non-concurrence in all of the Senate Amendments. If there is no unexpected delay, it ought to be before the conference committee by the middle of the week. Then a fight will begin over the objectionable amendments. The sugar lobby are bringing all their influence to bear in favor of the Senate amendment, and the cordage manufacturers are fighting tooth and nail against the retention of the free binding twine amendment. The democrats do not seem disposed to obstruct the bill; they express themselves as being willing to look on while the republicans fight it out among themselves. It is not likely to be much of a fight, anyway; the fighting strength of this congress is very nearly used up.

It is amusing to a disinterested party to hear the charges which democrats and republicans make against each other of spending money corruptly in the Maine election. The amounts named are perfectly ridiculous—more in some instances than other party has ever had in a Presidential contest. The republican Senators in caucus have decided to consider the following measures: Anti lottery bill, repeal of the timber culture act, establishing private land claim courts, relief of U. S. Supreme court, eight hour law, etc. transfer of revenue marine to navy department, pure food (this is Senator Paddock's bill, and the supposition is that the Senate will pass it as a substitute for the House compound (lard bill). Indian depredations, national bankruptcy, extending the Interstate Commerce law to telegram companies and bills relating to the District of Columbia. It is a big contract, and those that are not acted upon before the conference on the tariff bill is made will not stand much show of getting through at the present session.

The Civil Service investigating committee has adjourned until December, and many people, including some of the members of the committee, wish it was never to meet again. Saturday was devoted by the Senate to eulogizing the late Samuel J. Randall, and by the House to performing a like service for the memory of Senator Beck.

Senator Plumb's amendment to the tariff bill making provision for a permanent tariff commission to be composed of five members, not more than three to belong to one political party, meets with the commendation of nearly all thoughtful people. True, it seems a little like shutting the stable doors after the horses are gone to add such an amendment to a tariff bill, but it is a good idea and had better come later than never.

The democrats got the best of the House rules during this week, and by breaking a quorum prevented the seating of the two negro contestants whose claims had been favorably reported by the election committee. This week the republicans expect to get the upper hand again by having a quorum of their own members present.

all leaves of absence have been revoked and absent members telegraphed to return, but telegraphing for them and getting them here are different things.

There is a bill now before the Senate Judiciary committee which many people think will, if it becomes a law, have a tendency to clear up the doubts as to just what are the rights of the United States in Behring sea. It was introduced by Senator Ingalls, and the object is to get a decision on the subject from the Supreme Court.

No date can be set for adjournment until after the tariff bill is disposed of.

Appointments.

The M. E. Conference, held at Jacksonville last week, appointed the following ministers to fill the appointments as named:

Mr. W. Everhart, presiding elder.
Barry, C. Baughman.
Batchtown, W. H. Halley.
Beverly, S. H. Martin.
Beardtown, F. M. Sisson.
Bluffs Springs and Griggs Chapel, G. W. Flagg.

Concord, S. G. Farree.
Griggsville, J. F. Wohlfrath.
Griggsville Circuit, J. L. B. Ellis.
Hardin, to be supplied.
Kinderhook, J. H. Hartwick.
Lynnville, T. B. Smith.

Naples and Meredosia, G. B. Wolfe.
New Hartford, J. W. Madison.
New Salem, T. H. Agnew.
Payson, W. M. McElfresh.
Pittsfield, Marion Rose.
Plainville, to be supplied.
Time, W. F. Wright.

Versailles, T. D. Miles.
Virginia, T. M. Dillon.
West Jacksonville, W. H. McGee.
Winchester, M. D. Hornbeck.
White Hall, E. H. Hamilton.
White Hall Circuit, Anderson Orr.
J. W. Sinnock, missionary to New Mexico.

Edward E. Carr, R. L. Steed, Edw. Graft, missionaries to Utah.
F. B. Madden, H. C. Gibbs, Lewis P. Dimmitt, W. P. Bowman and W. D. Atkinson, without appointments to attend schools.

The German Methodists held their conference at Burlington, Iowa, Sept. 15th. Rev. Grueswold was re-appointed for this place and Jacksonville.

Blew Up the Tabernacle.

The Pentecost band which had been holding meetings at Atwood, Ill., for several months, have been repeatedly warned

THE MEREDOSIA NEWS.

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MEREDOSIA, ILLINOIS.

The Illinois Council-General has sent a resolution to the French Government demanding the early repeal of the law prohibiting the importation of American salted pork.

The European correspondents are now trying to put salt on the tail of the gentle dove of peace. Their dogs of war, which have been loosened about once a week for several years, are taking a little needed rest.

This American colony of students and archaeologists in Athens is so large as to give a certain character to the daily life of the city. There are dozens of professors studying there whose names are well known in America.

The new cruiser Philadelphia seems to be swifter even than the other flyers which have been added to this branch of the navy in the past two or three years. In some respects, at least, the United States will soon be able to dub herself mistress of the seas.

HEPATIC the shortage, in the grain crop will not be as serious as was feared. The wheat and corn left over from last year will extend this year's yield to such an extent that home consumption at reasonable prices is provided for, and all foreign demands can be met.

The tariff bill being out of the way in the Senate, there is now a prospect that the Anti-Liquor and Bankruptcy bills will have a chance to receive attention. A day or two's consideration is about all that would be required to secure their passage. Both have already been acted on favorably by the House.

The proposition of the Secretary of the Treasury to prepay three-quarters of a year's interest on the four per cent. bonds will probably add \$10,000,000 or \$17,000,000 to the circulation in the next few weeks. The new squeeze in the money market will take place this year if the Treasury Department can prevent it.

The cotton crop of the South is reported at 7,111,000 bales, exceeding the largest previous crop by over 200,000 bales. This evidence of agricultural prosperity takes the wind out of the sails spread by the demagogues to catch the farmers' votes, and goes to show that the Southern people have a great deal to be thankful for.

MINNEAPOLIS rejoices in the most unique political fight any in the country. It is not only a regular Republican, Democratic, Farmer, Alliance and Prohibition ticket in the field, but the National Anti-Building and Loan associations have allied their cause into the ring and propose to make a bitter, uncompromising war on Governor Merriam.

WACO, Tex., has just been subjected to a plague of crickets, which appeared in legions past computing, beating themselves to death against the buildings in the vicinity of the electric lights and covering the ground to the depth of nearly a foot. The city authorities employed men to haul them away. During the flight merchants were compelled to close their stores.

BRAZIL produces about half of the coffee which is raised in the whole world, yet if the Brazil Coffee Trust increases prices to the extent feared, the other countries which grow it will have a chance to enlarge their industry. Central America and Mexico already figure prominently among the coffee-growing regions, and a corner on the Brazil product would give them a lift in this direction.

The English Industries alleges that a novel industry, resting strictly on chemical principles and needing nothing but a little capital and a dash of dishonesty to develop it, is practiced in Florida. It consists in avoiding dependence upon the slow and imperfect ripening of lemons by the sun's rays, by picking the fruit while green and exposing it to the fumes of sulphur, whereby its color is changed to a rich golden yellow, infinitely more attractive than the natural hue.

SENATORS of all shades of political faith are having a quiet, dignified snarl at a novel industry, resting strictly on chemical principles and needing nothing but a little capital and a dash of dishonesty to develop it, is practiced in Florida. It consists in avoiding dependence upon the slow and imperfect ripening of lemons by the sun's rays, by picking the fruit while green and exposing it to the fumes of sulphur, whereby its color is changed to a rich golden yellow, infinitely more attractive than the natural hue.

The Chicago Daily News prints an affidavit by a former employee of H. E. Ross, the slaughtering firm employed by the Illinois State Live-Stock Board to kill and put in the rendering tank all lumpy-jaw cattle which reached the stock yards. The affidavit declares that the employees constantly outwitted the health officers and succeeded in smuggling large quantities of the diseased meat out of the house; that it was done by order of Ross, and that the employees were paid extra for it, the diseased meat being sold in the poorest districts in the city.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Compiled from Various Sources.

CONGRESSIONAL PROCEEDINGS.
In the Senate, on the 9th, the Aldrich revenue amendment to the tariff bill was reported, 80 yeas, and the amendment of Mr. Plumb for the appointment of a permanent committee on revenue was reported, 70 yeas. The tariff question was taken up, 31 to 23. The bill was ordered to an engrossment and third reading, 35 to 23. A brief executive session, adjourned. In the House, the entire day was spent in discussing the revenue amendment to the tariff bill, which was reported by the Finance Committee.

In the Senate, on the 10th, continuing the tariff bill was taken up. The bill was taken up, 31 to 23. The bill was ordered to an engrossment and third reading, 35 to 23. A brief executive session, adjourned. In the House, the entire day was spent in discussing the revenue amendment to the tariff bill, which was reported by the Finance Committee.

In the Senate, on the 11th, the revenue amendment to the tariff bill was taken up. The bill was taken up, 31 to 23. The bill was ordered to an engrossment and third reading, 35 to 23. A brief executive session, adjourned. In the House, the entire day was spent in discussing the revenue amendment to the tariff bill, which was reported by the Finance Committee.

In the Senate, on the 12th, the revenue amendment to the tariff bill was taken up. The bill was taken up, 31 to 23. The bill was ordered to an engrossment and third reading, 35 to 23. A brief executive session, adjourned. In the House, the entire day was spent in discussing the revenue amendment to the tariff bill, which was reported by the Finance Committee.

In the Senate, on the 13th, the revenue amendment to the tariff bill was taken up. The bill was taken up, 31 to 23. The bill was ordered to an engrossment and third reading, 35 to 23. A brief executive session, adjourned. In the House, the entire day was spent in discussing the revenue amendment to the tariff bill, which was reported by the Finance Committee.

In the Senate, on the 14th, the revenue amendment to the tariff bill was taken up. The bill was taken up, 31 to 23. The bill was ordered to an engrossment and third reading, 35 to 23. A brief executive session, adjourned. In the House, the entire day was spent in discussing the revenue amendment to the tariff bill, which was reported by the Finance Committee.

In the Senate, on the 15th, the revenue amendment to the tariff bill was taken up. The bill was taken up, 31 to 23. The bill was ordered to an engrossment and third reading, 35 to 23. A brief executive session, adjourned. In the House, the entire day was spent in discussing the revenue amendment to the tariff bill, which was reported by the Finance Committee.

In the Senate, on the 16th, the revenue amendment to the tariff bill was taken up. The bill was taken up, 31 to 23. The bill was ordered to an engrossment and third reading, 35 to 23. A brief executive session, adjourned. In the House, the entire day was spent in discussing the revenue amendment to the tariff bill, which was reported by the Finance Committee.

In the Senate, on the 17th, the revenue amendment to the tariff bill was taken up. The bill was taken up, 31 to 23. The bill was ordered to an engrossment and third reading, 35 to 23. A brief executive session, adjourned. In the House, the entire day was spent in discussing the revenue amendment to the tariff bill, which was reported by the Finance Committee.

In the Senate, on the 18th, the revenue amendment to the tariff bill was taken up. The bill was taken up, 31 to 23. The bill was ordered to an engrossment and third reading, 35 to 23. A brief executive session, adjourned. In the House, the entire day was spent in discussing the revenue amendment to the tariff bill, which was reported by the Finance Committee.

In the Senate, on the 19th, the revenue amendment to the tariff bill was taken up. The bill was taken up, 31 to 23. The bill was ordered to an engrossment and third reading, 35 to 23. A brief executive session, adjourned. In the House, the entire day was spent in discussing the revenue amendment to the tariff bill, which was reported by the Finance Committee.

In the Senate, on the 20th, the revenue amendment to the tariff bill was taken up. The bill was taken up, 31 to 23. The bill was ordered to an engrossment and third reading, 35 to 23. A brief executive session, adjourned. In the House, the entire day was spent in discussing the revenue amendment to the tariff bill, which was reported by the Finance Committee.

In the Senate, on the 21st, the revenue amendment to the tariff bill was taken up. The bill was taken up, 31 to 23. The bill was ordered to an engrossment and third reading, 35 to 23. A brief executive session, adjourned. In the House, the entire day was spent in discussing the revenue amendment to the tariff bill, which was reported by the Finance Committee.

In the Senate, on the 22nd, the revenue amendment to the tariff bill was taken up. The bill was taken up, 31 to 23. The bill was ordered to an engrossment and third reading, 35 to 23. A brief executive session, adjourned. In the House, the entire day was spent in discussing the revenue amendment to the tariff bill, which was reported by the Finance Committee.

In the Senate, on the 23rd, the revenue amendment to the tariff bill was taken up. The bill was taken up, 31 to 23. The bill was ordered to an engrossment and third reading, 35 to 23. A brief executive session, adjourned. In the House, the entire day was spent in discussing the revenue amendment to the tariff bill, which was reported by the Finance Committee.

ILLINOIS STATE NEWS.

Some Census Figures.

The Census Bureau has announced the populations of the following cities and towns in Illinois, together with the increase or decrease in each, during the last decade:

City or Town	Population in 1880	Population in 1890	Change
Chicago	299,634	435,333	135,699
Springfield	114,182	148,849	34,667
St. Louis	222,044	270,526	48,482
Alton	14,182	18,849	4,667
Rockford	11,418	14,885	3,467
Peoria	11,418	14,885	3,467
Decatur	11,418	14,885	3,467
Macomb	11,418	14,885	3,467
Normal	11,418	14,885	3,467
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The French journalist who wrote up Gen. Boulanger, has seven duels on his hands with enthusiastic admirers of the General.

REV. G. K. LITTLE, known as the boy preacher, closed a three week's tent meeting at Albany, Mo., Monday. There were sixty-two conversions.

The newspaper men of Wisconsin have gone into politics. Seven of the candidates for state officers are editors. They are, perhaps, more politicians than editors.

The married school teachers of Cincinnati appear to have won a victory and are almost certain of reappointment. It is not a crime to marry after all. It will seem.

The conference report on the river and harbor bill has been agreed to, and a sufficient appropriation for work on the Mississippi for the next two years is now a certainty.

It is probable that hereafter a census will be taken in England every five years, but solely as to number of population, age, sex and distribution. The full census will continue to be taken at intervals of ten years.

Under the laws of Bulgaria, if a patent medicine is warranted to cure a certain disease and fails to do it, the manufacturer can be prosecuted and sent to prison. No cures for consumption can be found in that country.

HAPPILY the shortage in the grain crop will not be as serious as was feared. The wheat and corn left over from last year will piece out this year's yield to such an extent that home consumption at reasonable prices is provided for, and all foreign demands can be met.

The anxiety occasioned by the reports of the failure of the potato crop has been somewhat allayed, and the outlook is not so bad as was supposed. Michigan and Wisconsin tubers are selling in Chicago at 95 and 80 cents per bushel, and they may be lower still, when the late crop is gathered ready for marketing.—Ex.

The Philadelphia Times says: "From many quarters, especially from physicians, come reports of a widespread renewal of symptoms similar to the grip. Business men and others are compelled to go to bed and undergo the most rigid treatment, and altogether the prevailing ailment seems to be something much worse than an ordinary bad cold."

THE ladies of Asheville, N. C., who have had trouble with the servant girl question, have established a housekeepers' trust and have fixed up a schedule of capacity and wages, by which they propose to be governed and to govern the help. It is an interesting experiment, at least, and will be watched with interest by housekeepers in other parts of the country.

This lottery company will make its influence felt in Louisiana if it cannot do this elsewhere. The congressmen from that state have not done anything to retard the passage of the bill against the swindlers, consequently the congressmen are to be defeated for renomination if the company can accomplish its purpose. If this resource fails the contest is to be carried to the polls. As the lottery men have foreclosed their mortgage on Louisiana the fight against the congressmen is likely to be vigorous and persistent.

This is the wheat situation according to the London Times: Europe, Egypt, Canada, Australia and South America show a gain in yield in 1890, as compared with 1889, of 86,000,000 bushels, while the United States and India reveal a loss of 95,000,000. Consequently the crop this year in the aggregate is 10,000,000 bushels below that of last year. If last year's yield had been above the average the shortage now would not have had much effect on prices. This, however, is not the case. The crop of 1889 was under rather than over the mean of the half dozen years immediately preceding. Higher prices therefore, for the next six or eight months seem to be indicated.

AT CAMP POINT.

A Sensation Caused by the Indecorosity of a Minister's Wife.

[Quincy Journal, Sept. 13.] On Wednesday morning, when the mail was distributed at Camp Point, a letter addressed to Rev. R. A. Omer, pastor of the Christian church, was among the others handed out. Mr. Omer was out of town on that day, and as the letter was marked "in haste," Mrs. Omer, thinking that the message of the letter was urgent, opened the letter and read it.

It was, according to her own statement, an anonymous letter—the most respectable sort of a communication, say we. Mrs. Omer was ill at the time, and the contents of the letter excited her weakened nerves to a high degree. In her distress she showed the letter to a prominent member of Mr. Omer's church. The letter contained matter implicating Mr. Omer and a young lady of a highly respected family of Augusta. An investigation was held yesterday by the officers of the church, and Mr. Omer was notified they no longer had need of his services.

Mr. Omer is a splendid pulpit orator and a very successful evangelist. Hasty, unkind, even vicious words have been printed regarding this unfortunate affair. Mrs. Omer herself has replied to these words. The following is taken from this morning's Quincy Herald:

EDITOR HERALD: I notice in this morning's issue of the Herald quite a lengthy article on "A Preacher's Sins." I do not pretend to say who the debased and foul-mouthed author is, but this one thing I do know, and that is, for down-right lying and misrepresentation of the truth he surpasses any of whom I have ever heard. If you would take out the falsehoods there would not be enough words left to constitute the head-lines of this article.

I presume I am the wife of the minister referred to and, therefore, have a perfect right to speak out and defend myself against these wilful misrepresentations. It is true I received a letter during my husband's absence, but so far as producing the effect mentioned in the article is concerned it is as false as a thing can well be. I was sick at the time, and of course became unduly excited. In regard to the contents of the letter there is but one person outside of my husband who saw it. Moreover, there was nothing in it which would criminate any one. Furthermore, the author of the letter is unknown, as there was no signature to the letter. The probabilities are that there is a dark plot back of all this, which the eternal judgment will settle. But in conclusion we would advise the correspondent who is so dead set on the destruction of some one's character to post up a little before writing again, and for self protection to be a little bit guarded in his statements. THE WIFE.

Sept. 12, 1890.

A Colliery Horror.

Saturday afternoon two miners, M. Campbell and Ishman Mellenberg, while blasting coal in one of the mines at Athens, met with a frightful accident. It is customary for two men to work in one cell or room of the mine while blasting, one to stand at the door with a light while the other touches off the fuse. But contrary to this rule both men were in the cell at the time the fuse was lighted and as they rushed for the door their light was blown out leaving them in total darkness and unable to find the door before the explosion occurred. When time for all hands to stop, these two men were missed, which was about an hour after the explosion occurred. An investigation followed and when found Campbell was dead, a huge lump of coal resting on his face and chest. Mellenberg had a very narrow escape, but as it is he is in a very bad condition, being cut and bruised all over his face and body, besides suffering with a compound fracture of the femur. He was brought from Athens yesterday morning and taken to the Sanitarium, where Dr. Prince attended to his injuries. As last accounts he was doing as well as could be expected.—Jacksonville Journal.

Honesty is the best Policy.

JACKSONVILLE, Sept. 13.—James W. Barnes and W. Parker, two country boys of Pleasant Hill, met two strangers at the hotel here yesterday and exchanged \$300 in cash for a package purporting to contain \$1,000 of counterfeit money. Upon opening the package they were charged to find it contained nothing but blank paper. The strangers registered at the hotel as George Horton and H. H. Mason.

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—Coarse Meal, 60c.
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—Hogs, \$3.75 to \$4.00.
—Potatoes, \$1. to \$1.20.
—Sweet Potatoes, \$1.40.
—Mixed Feed, 75c. cwt.
—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
—Typhoid fever has made its appearance in Clayton.

—Mrs. Wilson, of Griggsville, is a guest at Stafford Smith's.
—Miss Maggie Eldred, of Carlinville was the guest of Meredosia friends on Saturday evening.

Go to J. H. Carver for a fine hat.
—Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Marsh, Misses Bula Abrams and Maggie Marsh, of Naples, visited in our town one day last week, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Nevill.

Go to J. H. Carver's for a fine suit of clothes.
—J. L. Metz, of Chambersburg was in town last Saturday, and like a sensible man called at The News office and had his name enrolled on our subscription book.

J. H. Carver wants all the people to call and see his fine stock of goods.
—The seventy-sixth anniversary of the birthday of Mr. Stafford Smith, was celebrated at his residence in this place last Sunday. A few intimate friends were present, and all report that they were royally entertained.

Go to J. H. Carver's for all wool blankets.
—Last week we sent out over nine hundred sample copies of The News.

—Henry Hodges is having an addition built to and otherwise improving the looks of his residence in the east end of town. The Hauser brothers, Joe and Charlie, are doing the work.

Dry goods in all styles at J. H. Carver's.

—It was our intention last week to have a sample copy of The News go into every home in and around Meredosia, and if there is any that failed to receive a copy and will call at this office, we will gladly furnish them with one.

J. H. Carver has just received an immense stock of fall and winter goods. Call and see them.
—Marshall Apperson is doing some good work on the sidewalks about town. We would call his attention to the walk leading to the cemetery as it is in a bad condition. Give Bill the material to work with and we will guarantee that Meredosia will have good sidewalks.

Ladies go to J. H. Carver's and see a line of fine push jackets.
—We had the pleasure last week of tasting some wedding cake that came from England. It was received by Mayor W. K. Rodway from his brother who was recently married. It was very nice, and the frosting on the cake was about an inch thick.—Griggsville Press. We suppose, Bro. Williamson, if the frosting had been any thicker you would have said so.

Go to J. H. Carver's for your notions and dry goods.
—Adams and Pike counties are troubled with a disease among the cows called "black tongue." Several in the neighborhood of Clayton have been affected with it and the Clayton Enterprise says "the disease has the effect of stiffening the legs so the cow can scarcely walk about, the tongue swells and the nose and mouth get sore."

Go to J. H. Carver's for great bargains.
—An exchange tells its readers how to mind their "P's" in the following paragraph: "Persons who patronize papers should pay promptly, for the pecuniary prospects of the press have a peculiar power for pushing forward public prosperity. If the printer is paid promptly and his pocket book keeps plethoric by paying patrons, he puts his pen to his paper in peace of mind. He is more prompt in his paragraphs are more plentiful and his pictures of passing events in more pleasant colors, and the pursuit of his paper is a pleasure to the people. Paste this picture in some place where all persons can perceive it."

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—Every column of a newspaper contains from twelve to twenty thousand distinct pieces of metal, displacement of any of which would cause a blunder of typographical error. And yet some people lay claim to remarkable smartness if they can discover an error in a newspaper. When some people find a word with a letter or two misplaced, they are sure they could spell that word right, and go around to the neighbors and tell about the editor of paper so and so spelling a word wrong once.—Petersburg Observer.

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—Send The News to your friends.

—Meredosia is badly in need of a hotel building.

—Read the ad of M. E. Geiss in this issue of The News.

—The public sale of W. R. Vaughn takes place at Versailles to-day.

—Mrs. McNeill will accept our thanks for the fine cake sent us on Tuesday.

—C. L. French, of Chapin, was in Meredosia on Tuesday and called on The News.

—Chas. Stewart and Miss Minnie McWane were in this place Monday visiting friends.

—Some party, or parties, made a raid on the dogs one night last week. They succeeded in sending about a dozen to the "happy hunting grounds".

Misses Corset Waists at M. E. GEISS.

—B. W. Bryant, of the Clayton Milling Company, Clayton, Ill., was in town one day last week. Mr. B. was here in the interest of the Company.

D. Watts is the place to buy your watches, clocks, jewelry and spectacles.

—A few of Ed Heaton's many friends surprised him on Monday night, the occasion being the anniversary of his birthday. A splendid time was reported.

White shirts at fifty cents. J. H. CARVER.

—Julius Edmondson received a letter last Friday conveying the sad intelligence that his brother, M. C., had received a stroke of paralysis. At this writing he is unable to speak and his recovery is doubtful. He is paralyzed on his right side.

Special sale on blankets this week. J. H. CARVER.

—Mr. A. L. Lynn, county superintendent of schools, was in this place Monday, and made us a call. Mr. Lynn and the senior member of The News firm were schoolboys together in Brown county. He was here looking up his friends, as he is a candidate for the superintendent's office again.

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Dr. C. M. Vertrees, Marrayville.
John Beauchamp, Sanbernardino, Calif.

Wils Briggs, Jacob Cole, John Soles, Versailles.
David Richards, Sallie Fuson, Dan Charles, Bluffs.

Tom Burrus, J. Linkins & Co., Henry Higgins, W. D. Watts, Naples.
Jno. C. Williams, Thos. Dobyns, W. D. Mathers, Nora Turner, Harry C. Montgomery, Jacksonville.

George W. James, J. T. Savage, H. Phoenixmeyer, W. H. Mursh, George Turnham, Ed. Heaton, Al. Waldo, Wm. Miller, Meredosian.

LONG things—this session of Congress and a summer resort hotel bill.

AFTER Congress the election. Always something to stir up had blood.

THE country would be just as well off if not better, if there were less politics in legislation!

MR. HARRISON, who is perfectly willing to succeed himself, cannot be expected to give much over the fight between the friends of Messrs. Blaine and Reed.

NEW YORK has a design for the Grant monument, but the monument is yet to come, and what makes its arrival doubtful is the fact that the most of the money to pay for it is also yet to come.

THERE are a number of Congressmen who would be well to put in the time during the recess in taking lessons in the art of gentlemanly deportment. This is not intended to be personal.

CONGRESS isn't saying a word about one cent letter postage, but the people are talking about it, and somebody may ask somebody else some questions about it before long. Put your ear to the ground and listen.

FRED DOUGLAS thinks his marriage to a white woman eliminated the race question; at least it is presumable that he does since he recently stated in a public address that there was no such question in this country. "What fools these mortals be."

THE great financial system of the country, upon which all of us are more or less dependent, should never be made a foot ball to be kicked back and forth between political parties. The pastime is entirely too dangerous to the people of the country.

EX-ASSISTANT Postmaster General Clarkson is the good business man his friends credit him with being, he will take advantage of the immense amount of free advertising he is getting by launching a new patent medicine bearing his name on the public, or organizing a grand Clarkson circus and menagerie.

THE Congressional apportionment bill recently introduced has called attention to a very important and interesting subject—the number of members of the House of Representatives. It would be expecting too much of poor depraved human nature to ever indulge in the hope that this question will be considered by the present House without reference to party politics. It has been the custom, since the first census, and consequent apportionment, for the party in power to get all possible advantage out of the apportionment and so it will probably be to the end of the chapter. To the student of our form of government the apportionment tables from 1790 to 1900 make a very interesting study. In 1790 each member of the House represented 33,000 people, and in 1880 151,912 people, and if the new bill becomes a law he will represent 180,000 people. Many of the States have a smaller number of Representatives now than they had in 1790. For instance, Virginia had 19 where she now has only 10; Connecticut had 7 while she now has only 4; Maine had 7, but

now she has just 4; Massachusetts had 17 while now she has to content herself with 12; New Hampshire had 4, and now has 2; Delaware still has one and still has one, though for the ten years between 1790 and 1890 she had 2; Rhode Island started with 2 and has always had the same number, Mr. Dannel's bill will make the membership of the House 354, which is about twice as large as it ought to be.

The Slave Trade in Africa

An astonishing statement comes from Zanzibar to the effect that the German authorities at Bagamoyo have published a notice permitting everybody to engage freely in the slave traffic, and only prohibiting the exportation by slaves by sea. "If it is true the horrors of the slave trade in Africa will continue without abatement. There has been for many years an embargo on the exportation of slaves enforced by Great Britain and other powers, but slaves were smuggled across the Red Sea, and it was the interest in the slave trade that provoked the attack on General Gordon at Khartoum. The slave traders understood that if Great Britain or any other European power held the lines of travel between the Soudan and the sea coast the slave trade would be interfered with. Therefore they fought desperately to drive the British from the Soudan and from the country between that and the Red Sea. In the meantime there was an agreement between Great Britain, Germany and other powers looking to a stamping out of the slave trade on the lines of travel reaching the eastern coast south of the equator. If the German authorities at Bagamoyo have taken the action indicated they have opened the whole district south of Lake Victoria and east of Lake Tan Ganyika to the slave trade, which is virtually encouraging the slave trade in all of Central Africa.

The sphere of German influence in Africa takes in the coast line from Cape Delgado north to the point above the Pemba Islands, and extends 700 or 800 miles to the interior, taking in the whole east coast of Lake Tan Ganyika, and the whole of the southern coast of Victoria Nyanza. To the north is the British sphere of influence, taking in a coast line of 200 or 300 miles, and extending inward to Victoria Nyanza. The German sphere of influence commands the caravan routes from the lake region to the coast, including the route traveled by Stanley in his last journey. It is almost beyond belief that Germany should have taken the action reported.—Inter Ocean.

A Carthage Episode.

A reliable correspondent at Carthage sends the following item of rather spicy news. Probably some of our readers may be able to guess at the identity of at least one of the parties: Myself and a gentleman friend were sitting in front of a hotel in Carthage one evening last week quietly chatting. We noticed a nice looking lady stop and shake hands with a man who was sitting nearby. They seemed very glad to have met. They walked into the hall of the hotel. Their manner excited our curiosity. My friend knew the lady and suggested that we watch them. We changed seats so that we could see them and not be noticed ourselves. Their meeting was a very affectionate one. "The gentleman was showering kisses upon the willing cheeks of the lady, and this was kept up for quite a while. At length the lady took her leave and the gentleman resumed his seat. Now, as I have said before, my friend knew the lady. We also knew that the gentleman she had met so affectionately was not her husband, for her husband resembles any body more than a minister. So we put our wits together to find out who the gentleman in ministerial attire was. We inquired but did not get the desired information. My friend said: "I believe I have heard that fellow preach. I am going to ask him." He stepped up to him and said: "How do you do? I guess I am not mistaken, am I? Did I not hear you preach down at—not long ago?" "Why, no; you are mistaken," (all excited). He quickly turned away, went to the baggage room, took his baggage and left. Although he had engaged, and paid for a room for the night, he did not occupy it nor did we see him afterward. These parties are known, but their names are withheld this time; but if these clandestine meetings are kept up and they are caught, again we shall certainly publish them next time. Neither of the parties lives in Carthage.—Quincy Herald 19 inst.

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TALMAGE'S SERMON.

The Brooklyn Preacher Talks About "Crooked Things."

There is No Beauty in Crooked Things, Neither in Law, Government or Individual Disposition—The Straightening Process.

Rev. T. D. W. Talmage delivered the following discourse on "Crooked Things" in the Brooklyn Academy of Music, taking for his text:

The crooked shall be made straight—Isaiah xl, 5.

Geometry, from the time it was discovered on the banks of the Nile, has been its overlord annually obliterated the landmarks, and the restorations of these land-marks made such a science necessary—I say, geometry, every since then has been busy with lines, straight lines, curved lines, lines in angles and cones and spheres, and has never been able to evolve any beauty from a line that was merely crooked. The circle and the square were always considered admirable. Isaiah recognizes the circle and says: "The Lord sits upon the circle of the earth." The altar of the Jews was a square, and the breastplate of the priests "four square," and Heaven, and St. John, is "four square." But the Bible has no admiration for lines that are merely crooked. Indeed, my text in prophesying the world's complete rectification declares: "The crooked shall be made straight."

Much of the wealth of the world is in the hands of the profligate, while many of the best people are subjected to distressing privation; and there is going to be a redistribution of property. If it were possible, it would be a bad thing to have things equally shared, such as we are able to endure more success than others, and prosperity that might not unbalance you might destroy me. The Declaration of American Independence declares that all men are born equal, but the opposite is the truth, for they are born unequal. In our capacity to endure success, financial or social, I have seen men by the acquisition of \$50,000 made arrogant and overbearing, and I have known others who, with millions of dollars childlike and unassuming, and Christian. We would all be affluent, but the Lord can't trust us. I am glad there are those He can trust. Much is said against capitalists, but the world would be a very shaky world without them. Who built the great railroads which have made the world so accessible, employ tens of thousands of laborers, supporting them and their families? Capitalists. Who built great ships that stir the rivers and bridge the ocean? Capitalists. Who reared the thousands of factories all over the land which employ tens of thousands of employees earn their daily bread? Capitalists. Who endowed our colleges, and opened free libraries, and built asylums for the orphan, the crippled and the insane? Capitalists! But for them there would not be an academy of music, a university, a library, or a free library or a steamboat, or a railroad in America. Who put the world on seventy-five years beyond what it would have been in enterprise, in comforts, in educational advantage, in good things, without number? Capitalists! The more money a man gets, the better it is for him, and he is employed righteously. Nevertheless we all see that there needs to be a redistribution of property. Communism proposes to make that distribution by torch and dagger and dynamite. Throw the mid-night express train off the tracks and put the factory into the hands of the workers. Disrupt society. Burglarize. Assassinate. Such people believe neither in God, nor man nor woman, and they know how to make things worse, but never have made and never can make anything better.

I tell you there will come a redistribution of property. Under the Divine blessing good people will get more alertness and accumen and assiduity. Many good people are kept in straightened circumstances because they are indolent or lacked courage to take honest advantage of circumstances, and were too stupid to get on. With the very same surroundings others went on to competency. In the better days to come good men will have their faculties awakened, and will in consequence rise to larger share of prosperity. On the other hand, estates wrongfully accumulated will dissipate. If not the sons then the grandsons will make the money fly, and it will gradually scatter in their hands and become a part of the general wealth. Then, as to vast properties righteously gathered—and there are thousands of them—and the means to preserve them, the man who has contributed toward helping the unfortunate, not more by charities than by helping struggling people into lucrative business, and the man who has amassed enough and a surplus will say: "There is a young merchant without any capital, and I will help him on 'Wall street,'" and "There is a young mechanic who has no means of his own, and I will put him on a career of prosperity," and "There is a farmer with a big mortgage on his land, and I will help him lift the incumbrance." The fact is that if the kindness and generosity manifested by moneyed men toward the struggling during the last fifty years increases in the same ratio for the next fifty years, there will be a condition of

society paradise. We are going to have a multiplication of William E. Dodge, and Peter Cooper, and James Lenox, and George Peabody. So will come redistribution, and the crooked will be made straight.

In your business concerns there are influences perplexing. Your affairs may seem all right to outsiders, for business firms do not advertise their private troubles, but where one firm has every thing just as they want it, there are a hundred firms at their wits' end what to do with that partner who draws more than his share of the profits, or with that stockholder who comes in just often enough to upset things, or with that disappearance of funds which you can not account for, although you have suspicious you can not mention, or with that investment which was made contrary to your judgment, because there was a determination to push it through, or because you are going behind month by month without any prospect of extrication. The trouble is that a wrinkle on your forehead that might not appear there for years yet, and you will be forty years old when you ought to be only thirty, or sixty when you ought to be only thirty, or seventy when you ought to be only thirty. Stop worrying. Either by the dissolution of that firm, or by readjusting matters, you will be brought safely through. If you put your trust in God. When commercial houses fall the suspension is advertised, but of the tens of thousands of men who are every day extricated no public mention is made. Yesterday was Saturday, and a warrant for the arrest of a man was issued in counting room of stores and on every street of every city. God appeared for the deliverance of good men, as certainly as when with His right foot He trod Lake Galilee into placidity and made Daniel as safe among the lions as though they had been house dogs asleep on a rug before a winter's fire. Throw yourself on the promise of the text, or a hundred other texts meaning about the same thing.

I never yet asked God to do any thing but He did it for me, and He did it for the cases where my prayer has not been answered. I have found out afterward that it was best not to have been answered in my way. But none of us have tested the full power of prayer. It is a force very like some of the forces of nature, that were in existence before man was created. For as electricity was thought good for nothing but to burn barns and kill people with folk stroke. The lightning rods on the tops of houses was the spear with which the world was charged on the thunderstorm, as much as to say: "If you dare cope with me, I will hurl you into the sea." But now electricity lightens houses, and churches, and cities, and Christendom, and moves rail cars, and he is a rash man who mentions any thing as impossible to this natural energy.

So the power of prayer was to the world rather a frightful power, if it was any power at all. But that has been changed, and men begin to use it in some things, and the time will come when it will be used in all things, and there will be a Bible in every counting room, and the supplication will come from every commercial establishment, and when business firms are formed the question will not only be asked as to how much this one and that one put in of capital, but the question will be asked: "Do you know how to pray?" Mightier agent than any other power yet developed will be this Gospel electricity, flashing heavenward for help, flashing earthward with Divine response. God in business life. God in mechanical life. God in artistic life. God in every kind of life. Your religion for the most part is hung up so high you can not reach it. It is hung up on the cloudy rafters of the sky, where you expect to snatch it up as you finally go through for heavenly residence. Oh, have your religion within easy reach now! Religion is not for Heaven, but for this world. Once in Heaven, we will need no prayer for we shall have every thing we want. We will need no repentance, for we shall forever get rid of our sins. We shall have no need of comfort, for there will be no trouble. The Christian religion is not for Heaven where every thing is all right, but for this world where so many things are all wrong.

"Well," says one, "you don't apply this in every direction." Yes, I do. Take the most uncertain thing on earth—the weather. The Bible distinctly says that prayer controls the weather. James fifth and eighteenth: "Elijah was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain, and it rained not on the earth for the space of three years and six months; and he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain." Do you say that was the weather of olden time? There have been instances in modern times just as marvelous. There's not a Christian ship captain but could give you instances of Divine interference with the weather in answer to his prayer. It has been my good fortune to know many Christian ship captains. They are in all our services. They leave their vessels on Sunday mornings and join us in worship. I warrant there are enough of them present this morning to take a weather forecast in safety across the Atlantic. Whenever I heard them testify, I have mightily confirmed me in what I knew before, that God answers prayer concerning the weather. And there have been cyclones that started up from the Caribbean Sea, sweeping down every

sal and every smokestack and every mast in their course, which in answer to specific petition have been diverted and made to curve around some particular ship, leaving that in calm waters, and them resuming their original path of destruction. The weather probabilities again and again have announced a tempest, and we were ready for it, but to the surprise of most people, the next day we saw the announcement that the atmospheric fury had changed its course. The probability is it struck a prayer and planned off. If Elijah's prayer affected the weather of Palestine forty-two months, I should think somebody now might have a prayer that would affect it for a couple of days.

John Easter was many years ago an evangelist in Virginia. A large camp meeting was being held in that State. Many thousands had assembled in the open air and heavy storm-clouds began to gather. There was no shelter to which the multitudes could retreat. The rain had already reached the adjoining fields when John Easter called out: "Brethren, be still while I call upon God to stay the storm till the Gospel is preached to this multitude." Then he knelt and prayed that the audience might be spared from the rain and that after they had gone to their homes there might come a revival. "Brethren, be still while I call upon God to stay the storm till the Gospel is preached to this multitude." Then he knelt and prayed that the audience might be spared from the rain and that after they had gone to their homes there might come a revival. "Brethren, be still while I call upon God to stay the storm till the Gospel is preached to this multitude." Then he knelt and prayed that the audience might be spared from the rain and that after they had gone to their homes there might come a revival.

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The Meredosia News.

NOTICE.—The Publishers of this paper hold themselves responsible for any views that may be advanced by correspondents. To insure insertion communications must reach us not later than Tuesday noon. Correspondence solicited.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

The Blandinsville Hustler has been consolidated with the Gazette. A son of Henry Fraiser, near Jacksonville, was killed, by a falling tree last Sunday.

The Mt. Sterling base ball club has disbanded. They played thirty games and won all but seven.

A 14-year old Burdolph had his a broken jaw, the result of an attempt to climb on a moving train.

The soldiers reunion which was advertised to take place at Havana, Oct. 1, 2 and 3, has been declared off.

Robt. Martin, a well known engineer on the J. S. E. road died suddenly at his home in Jacksonville, Wednesday.

Some villian threw a lot of filth in the public well at New Salem, and several persons were made very sick in consequence.

The Barry marshal snatched a man from under a moving railway train and was rewarded by being arrested for assault and battery.

Adams county is the seventh wealthiest county in the state, as judged by the assessment. The property of that county is assessed at \$13,545,813.

C. N. Bushnell, an Oquana jeweler, claims to have a chair which was brought over from England in the Mayflower. He prizes it very highly.

The owners of the abandoned creamery at Pittsfield have donated the building for the use of a practical fruit evaporator who will put in machinery to evaporate 300 bushels of fruit a day.

Carriage has twenty-two retired farmers. The Gazette very candidly asks if you know of any other business from which so many old men have retired? Many of them are money-lenders.

A young man, George Morrill, by name attempted to board a freight train Tuesday morning at Bushnell and slipped under the cars and one leg cut off. He said his folks lived at Darwin Kansas.

A farmer near Anna discovered a bank of white clay near his place. He concluded it was fire clay and sent a sample of it to an expert who pronounced it porcelain worth in its raw state \$125 per car load.

Readers of this paper will raise money enough by private subscription to pay the expense of surveying the proposed wagon road to the bluffs, on the opposite side of the river and to ascertain the approximate cost of such a road.

H. W. White, merchant of Atlanta, has been sued by his divorced wife for \$10,000 damage for slander. She procured a divorce from him at the last term of court. She is the daughter of one of the wealthiest citizens of that place.

Wm. Lanier, of Brown county, the "wild man of the woods," who terrorized the residents of the neighborhood in which he committed his depredations, and who served a term in the penitentiary for larceny, is again on the rampage.

A Galesburg printer plunged in Lake George and saved a young lady from drowning and when he got out it was discovered that the coloring matter in her dress had made him black from head to foot. In fact, he dyed that she might live.

John Spence, a brakeman on a J. S. E. freight train was killed at Havana Wednesday by being struck and run over by the engine. He was in the performance of his duties, and while switching he attempted to step on the pilot and missed his footing.

On the 16th inst. four prisoners escaped from the county jail at Virginia by sawing the double grating of heavy steel bars from a window. The names of the escaped prisoners are, Harry Withers, Benjamin Cooper and Frank Beebe, indicted for larceny, and Edward Snell, indicted for criminal assault. Everything connected with the affair seems to point to assistance from the outside, not only in the way of tools furnished, but in working out.

Last Saturday evening, three of La Prairie's lads, ranging from fourteen to sixteen years of age, viz: Graham, Wilson and Sapp, jumped an empty box car in a passing train and rode to Quincy, intending to return on the "Eli." As the train was leaving Quincy young Sapp was ordered off by the brakeman, and in jumping from the car he struck a wall and was thrown back under the train, the wheels crushing one leg below the knee, rendering amputation necessary.

Death of Mahlon Edmundson.

In the death of Mahlon O. Edmundson, on Monday, Morgan county loses one of its best citizens and most public spirited men; a man who for sixty-two consecutive years has resided in her borders, and who has shown himself to be on the side of all that has tended to increase the welfare of the community at large. Although not a native of the county he came here with his parents when about five years old. His early education in the affairs of life, began in the neighborhood of Bethel, and at no time in his career has he resided more than a few miles distant from the union, and Mr. Edmundson's only near relatives are several brothers and sisters, who reside in the neighborhood of Bethel. Among his friends and acquaintances Mr. Edmundson was always held in high regard. For several years he was acting constable in the village of Bethel, although of late years he has not been serving in any official capacity. He was a successful agriculturist and at the time of his death was a man of substantial means, the ownership of several farms near Bethel and Morgan City being vested in him. He was a regular attendant, formerly of the Christian church at Bethel, and more recently of that at Chapin. The funeral will occur this morning at 10 o'clock from his home in Morgan City, and the interment will be in the Jordan cemetery.

We clip the above from the Jacksonville Journal of Wednesday. The deceased was a brother to Julius Edmundson, of this place. He received a stroke of paralysis, mention of which was made last week.

Hanging Not Played Out.

MONTICELLO, Ill., Sept. 18.—The Holden-Russell murder case closed at 6 p. m. Tuesday night. Judge Samuel R. Reed made the greatest effort of his life in his closing speech for the prosecution. The court-house was packed, many of whom were ladies. Judge E. P. Vail gave the jury their charge, and at 12 o'clock they had agreed upon a verdict, which was brought into court at 8 a. m. yesterday.

A large crowd was present to hear the result. Death-like stillness prevailed as the judge read: "We, the jury, find the defendants guilty of murder in the manner and form as charged in the indictment and fix the punishment of Calvin Holden, death penalty; Albert Dunham, death penalty; Ann Eliza Holden, twenty years in the penitentiary; Edwin Holden, fifteen years in the penitentiary."

The verdict gives general satisfaction here, as the crime was a cold-blooded one, without any provocation. Young Harley Russell, aged 24 years, and his wife were returning to their home the evening of June 21st in a buggy. When just outside the city limits of Monticello they overtook two persons, one of whom seized the horse and held it while the other drew a revolver and said "Halt!" Without another word he then shot Harley Russell in his right side. He lived long enough to tell all about the shooting and who did it. He recognized Calvin Holden and Albert Dunham, as did Mrs. Russell. Dunham made a statement that also implicated Mrs. Ann Eliza Holden and her son Edwin, and they were all indicted by the grand jury with above results.

Dunham was given a chance to testify in his own behalf by Judge Vail, but he refused to take the witness-stand.

After the reading of the verdict, old Mrs. Holden began a tirade against the judge, jury, and the witnesses for the prosecution. The prisoners were all taken back to jail. This is the first time the death penalty has been passed upon any person in Piatt county.

Pedigree Pride.

There are men who boast that they are descended from a noble family. To descend is to go down. The going is easy. The accident of birth, as in the cases of the Pininfare's sailor Rackstraw or the high ruler of the Queen's Navee, is of no credit or discredit to the person born. It is nothing to boast of that one has a great father. The father is not the work of the son. If the father can boast that he has a great son he is to be congratulated.

A young man who is not better than his family has not progressed. Instead of descending he should be ascending from a noble family. There is hope for a race when men are improving and being better than those who went before him. The human race is as worthy of being improved as the horse race. Blood will tell in pedigree, and yet every year shows an animal—of parents without a record—coming to the front and astonishing the world. Every man should be something for himself, on his own account. His ancestors may or may not have all been respectable. They do not make him intelligent beyond others or more dishonest than others. When a strong man is wanted in an important position the question is not, Who was your father? It is, Who are you?

Freeport's Sensation.

FREEPORT, Ill., Sept. 22.—The remarkable case of Miss Frances Dubs, who claims she had a visitation from God, created considerable excitement in Freeport. Hundreds of people have visited the house, but they are not admitted, as the mother of the sick girl refuses to allow any but her most intimate friends to see her. During Sunday afternoon she seemed to be failing and did not appear as well as she did during the morning, and it was thought for a time that her death would certainly occur during the night. Ever since Friday morning her health had been improving, and the people who have watched around her bedside actually believe she had a visitation from God, and that she surely would get better and perform the mission God told her she should; and the fear that she was dying the second time took part of the charm of the case away from them. But Sunday night this fear that she would die was dispelled by another change for the better in her condition.

She passed the most comfortable night in six months last night. Early in the evening a number of musical selections were played for her which she enjoyed very much. She retired early and slept quite soundly until early this morning. She dressed herself about 7 o'clock and walked to the table, and seemed to be in better spirits than ever. Only her most intimate friends are allowed to see her to-day, as it is thought the excitement and great strain on her nervous system, in talking and shaking hands with the streams of visitors will not be beneficial. A reporter called at the house this morning and was informed by the mother that her daughter was feeling better than she had at any time since she had been sick. She talked quite freely with her friends and seemed to desire to talk about her wonderful cure. She attributes it all to the work of God and the great faith she has in Him. She has not taken a drop of medicine since Thursday afternoon, and does not want to take any. During the forenoon she walked across the room a number of times and then sat down in an arm chair.

The many people who are acquainted with Miss Frances Dubs are sincere in their belief that she had a visitation from God and that her belief is sincere, and that the devotion of her heart. She told a great many of those who called on her Thursday afternoon that she knew if she didn't die last night she would live for a long time. Her mother and friends are working in their efforts to serve her. Hand-some bouquets of sweet flowers are sent, and she appreciates the efforts of her friends very highly. What her mission on earth will be she does not say, further than that the Lord has told her she will live for a long time.

The physicians are reticent about the case. There was quite a crowd of people congregated in front of her home last night, all anxious to catch a glimpse of the young lady who has recovered from a six-months' sickness in such a miraculous manner.

A reporter asked a well known minister this morning what he thought about the case, and he said that as long as there was a God in heaven above them, there would be miracles, and he thought this was one of them. A great many people seem to think that her strength won't last but a short time, that her sudden recovery is due to the frequent use of medicine. This idea is dispelled by the statement of her mother that the young lady has not taken a drop of medicine of any kind since Thursday. The outcome of the case will be watched with interest.

Brigham Young's youngest daughter is going to lecture on Mormonism. She ought to know all about it.

It is reported that during last week stocks of wheat in Minnesota and the Dakotas increased 615,000 bushels, and that the total in all elevators is 5,616,780 bushels.

Fire on the 22d inst., at Cleveland, Ohio, destroyed the Excelsior Oil Works, causing a loss of \$50,000, with insurance of \$35,000. Four men were burned, but not seriously.

It was reported last week that the Sioux Nation daily expected the coming of Christ, when everybody but good Indians will be buried under thirty feet of earth. The good Indians will squirm to the surface to live in a happy hunting ground.

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The Hon C. B. Farwell is now at home and much improved in health. A fact that his friends will be glad to know.

The latest from Washington gives assurance that "Kilgour's great toe is some better, and there is now some hope of saving the nail."

JOHN L. SULLIVAN got loose from his trainer in New York, and reduced the surplus of whiskey that had accumulated during his enforced sobriety.

HARVARD and Yale each have 400 men in their freshmen class. "The four hundred" will be rather hard for the aggressive sophomores to handle.

OGLESBY and Palmer will talk politics to the people who attend the Warsaw fair this week. Oglesby will speak on Thursday and Palmer on Friday.

A SOUTHERN journal tells of "a horny-handed" alliance politician down in that section who "has come on his fingers from clipping off coupons."

DR. W. M. TAYLOR of New York, is paid \$18,000 a year, the largest salary paid to any Congregational minister. Three in Brooklyn, viz: Drs. Lyman Abbot, Storrs, and Behrends, receive \$10,000 each.

At Paxton, Ill., the public schools were closed Thursday on account of the prevalence of diphtheria. Eight deaths from the disease have occurred. At Peoria and Bloomington reports of a diphtheria epidemic.

GEORGE W. CLOTT, of Buffalo, N. Y., and Mrs. Crook, of Galena, Ill., who had been lovers in 1855, but who became separated and had each married and lost their spouses, met accidentally at Cincinnati recently, en route for the South and were married at Chattanooga.

SOPHIE FRANCES, of Akron, has brought suit to recover \$2,000 damages from Solomon Oviatt, of the same place, for a stolen kiss. Both parties to the suit are past 60 years old, and Solomon thinks he could have had much fresher kisses for less money.

A DOCTOR in Soshow, China, placed a frog in a jar of flour and irritated it by prodding it with a stick. The frog, thus excited, exuded a liquid which formed a paste with the flour. This paste dissolved in water evinced well-marked anesthetic properties. After a finger has been immersed in the liquid a few minutes, it can be cut to the bone without any pain being felt.

IOWA has passed a stringent tramp law. It declares that any male person sixteen years of age or over, who is physically able to work, who is wandering about begging or idling and who can not show reasonable efforts to secure employment, shall be deemed a tramp, sent to jail and put at hard work. While in jail he shall not be allowed tobacco, liquor, sporting or illustrated newspapers, cards or any other means of amusements. Tramps will give Iowa a wide berth.

A YOUNG eastern tenderfoot, who is now in the state of Washington, writes thus to a friend: "What do you think of trees 650 feet high. They are to be found in the unsurveyed townships near the foot of Mount Tacoma, and what is more, I have seen them and made an instrumental measurement with that result: There are lots of trees in that locality whose foliage is so far above ground that it is impossible to tell what family they belong except by the bark. Very few people know or dream of the immensity of our forest growth. I wish that some of our large trees could be sent to the World's Fair at Chicago. We could send a flag pole, for instance, 400 feet high." That suggestion about a flag pole isn't half bad. The "pole" might be hollowed out and fitted up with an elevator, and then we should have a feature at once unique and wonderful for the Chicago World's Fair.

WAS IT MURDER?

A Post-Mortem Examination Held and the Jury has Decided it Was Not.

An Old Man Named John Winters dies all Alone in his House on last Thursday Night—Evidence of the Witnesses.

John Winters, an old man who lived alone at the outskirts of town, died on the night of September 25th. He had been in poor health for more than a month past and sent for A. E. Ritscher on the evening of September 25th, to make his will. Mr. Ritscher complied with his request and went to his house and made the will in the presence of Joe Schmitt and Charles May. Mr. Winters did not want any one to stay with him and the gentlemen took their departure. The next morning Chas. May went to his place to see how he was feeling and was horrified to find him dead. He notified Mr. Schmitt and on finding the same to be true they took for the money which Mr. Winters said he had with him amounting to about \$40, but could find only \$2 in all. They then went to town to find some one to dress and care for the old man. Jos. Hauser and Henry Hodges went out to prepare him for burial and in handling him they noticed bruises on his head. They at once sent for Dr. Wackerle, who examined the bruises and said that he did not die a natural death, and that he had been killed by the hands of some unknown person or persons. The coroner was telegraphed for and arrived on the afternoon train, and at once impaneled a jury to act upon the case. The jury was composed of Julius Edmundson, Dr. Wackerle, Joe Hauser, George Geiss, Chas. Heinz and J. F. Savage. The jury next examined the witnesses. Charles May was the first witness called and testified as follows: "I went out to Mr. Winters' house on Thursday evening to inquire after his health, and found him very weak. I had been waiting on him quite a while before he died and was intending to move him to my house on the morning following. Joe Schmitt came in while I was there and then went for Mr. Ritscher to make Mr. Winters' will. The will was made, he saying he had \$500 in the bank and \$40 in cash. We then left and went home. On the next morning about six o'clock I went out to his house and found him dead in his room with his head upon the floor and his body partly on the chair on his left side. He had been sick for over a month and expected to die at any time."

Dr. Wackerle testified to the following: "I was called to see Mr. Winters on Friday morning and examined the bruises on his head and found that he did not die a natural death. The impression in the skull caused me to think that the skull is fractured and gave way. It was about nine o'clock I was called."

Joe Schmitt testified as follows: "Mr. Winters sent for me on the evening before his death and told me he wanted to make his will after which I went for Mr. Ritscher, justice of the peace, who came to Mr. Winters' house and made the will. After this was done I asked him if he had any money about the house and he had about \$40 in cash and \$500 in the bank. This morning I was called to see him by Chas. May. On going to his home I found him dead in his room, and searching his clothes we found about \$2 in small change, but not the \$40 he told us he had in cash."

William Freeman testified: "I had been often out to see Mr. Winters and tried to get him to go to the Soldiers' Home, but he said he would not go, and before he would be any trouble to anyone he would cut his veins, making a sign over his wrist with a knife. He was a German and served in Co. A, Illinois Infantry during the rebellion."

After the foregoing statements were made the jury decided that a post-mortem examination should be held, and Drs. Wackerle and Neill were instructed by the coroner to find out the cause of his death. They began operations and examined the brain which showed that his death was not caused by fracture of the skull. After making a thorough examination they returned the following verdict: "We, the undersigned, find no cause of violence in the death of John Winters. The marks on the head were made by falling. The skull and brain were in good shape and in a healthy condition. His death was the result of ineptitude."

Phthisis, as the history and post-mortem shows: J. WACKERLE, M. D. F. A. NEVILL, M. D. Mr. Winters was born in Germany in 1819, and was never married. He served as a volunteer in Company A, Illinois Infantry during the war. He has one sister in the state of Michigan, and one in Germany. In his will he left fifty dollars to Mrs. Rush, of this place, and the rest of the money and his place to his sister in Germany. The funeral occurred at 10 o'clock Saturday. He was buried by the G. A. R. A large number of the old comrades attendance.

A DAUGHTER'S LOVE.

She Discovers Her Father After 20 Years' Absence—Romance that Began During the War.

Atlanta special to the St. Louis Republic: Here is an interesting story in which two estimable ladies of Atlanta are interested. They are Mrs. S. E. Tompkins, who lives at No. 100 Crew street, and her daughter, Miss Lena Tompkins, one of the best teachers in the public schools. The beginning of the story dates from Atlanta when Sherman's army entered here. At the time there lived here a Mr. Shackelford, who had a daughter, Miss Sallie—quite a handsome girl when Sherman's army entered. One of his officers, Major Haviland Tompkins, saw the young lady and was very much smitten with her. Sherman ordered everybody to leave Atlanta, and at the same time Major Tompkins was ordered to report to Louisville for duty. He saw Mr. Shackelford and offered him protection if he would take his family to Louisville. The offer was accepted, and Mr. Shackelford and his family, with the major and three other officers, proceeded to Louisville in a car chartered for the purpose. Soon after Major Tompkins was married to Miss Shackelford.

For several years they lived happily together, and then an unexpected cloud arose between them. Two friends of the Major's wife, with two other parties, murdered four Federal guards in South Carolina. They were wealthy people, but they were court-martialed and sentenced to death. Major Tompkins was a lawyer, and as the war was over he received from President Johnson a reprieve for the men for three months. He then succeeded in clearing them, but could not collect his fee from them, although they were very wealthy. Some time after that Major Tompkins engaged with the American Law Times to travel, collecting for it interesting cases in law. He was away from home for months together, and during his absence his wife, in a peculiar way, wrote that she and Lena would get a divorce if he stayed away much longer. The men who murdered the guards feared the Major, thinking he would press them to collect the fee from them. They began writing letters to him, telling him that his wife had secured a divorce, and when his letters came they would be intercepted. Two years after these same people wrote to Mrs. Tompkins and told her they had seen a notice of her husband's death in a New York paper.

Always accustomed to the best of everything, Mrs. Tompkins found it hard to get along, for a time taking in sewing, but finally her daughter, Miss Lena, grew up and helped her, and then she secured a position as teacher in the public schools. Realizing the embarrassment that attends a separation, Miss Lena went to work to find where her father was, if living, and where his body was buried if dead. She wrote to every hospital in New York, but no trace could be obtained. She then wrote to every town in Illinois, from which state her father enlisted, asking information concerning him. After many disappointments Miss Lena received a letter from Fairfield, Ill., saying there was a lawyer there of the name of H. Tompkins.

She went on and found that it was her father. His persecutors had written him that his wife had married, and that the daughter's name had been changed. She explained everything, and then he told her that he had been expecting her for five years, for he knew she would come to him sooner or later. It was in the family to clear up mysteries.

He would have gone to her and her mother, but thought their names had been changed. Through the efforts of Miss Lena all the misunderstanding of 20 years will be swept away and a complete restoration will be effected.

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—Our merchants enjoyed a fine trade last Saturday.
—A. Stinson and T. H. Graves were in town one day last week.
All-wool red flannels at 20c per yard.
J. H. CARVER.

—Rev. R. A. Omer, of Camp Point, was in town last Monday.
—Quite an improvement is being made in the side walks on main street.
Boys suits at \$1.00—new goods at that—at
J. H. CARVER'S.
—M. V. Martin, of Spring Station, was in town one day last week.
For gents' underwear go to the cash store of M. E. Geiss.

—Henry Dunn, of Chambersburg, was a visitor in our village Saturday. Special sale on blankets this week.
J. H. CARVER.
—The steamer D. H. Pike passed up the river at three o'clock Monday morning.
All linen collars 10 cents.
J. H. CARVER.

—John Harper and wife, of Naples, was in town one day last week shopping.
Go to J. H. Carver's for your notions and dry goods.
—G. Buskirk, Jerome Hosteater and Charles Arterburn, of Camp Point, were here Sunday.
See my line of ladies plush cloaks and save money.
J. H. CARVER.
—Jack Hawk and wife, of Versailles, visited W. T. Hedenberg and family Friday. Many thanks for the box of papawps, Jack.

Go to J. H. Carver's for all wool blankets.
—Dr. Ray and wife spent Sunday with home folks at Pittsfield. They were accompanied home Monday morning by the doctor's brother, Frank H., of Chicago, who will spend a few days in this place.
Go to J. H. Carver's for great bargains.

—Dick Mines, of Bluffs, was seriously cut in the back Saturday evening, Sept. 29th, by John Seger, at a dance at the residence of Chas. Seger. It seems that Seger stepped up behind Mines and, stabbed him in the back. Dr. Carver, of Bluffs, says had the cut been one half inch lower it would have been fatal. Seger has left for parts unknown.

I am now prepared to repair watches and jewelry.
N. HARRIS.
—We wish to say to our readers that we have for sale one of the best stock farms in Western Illinois. Read our advertisement in another column of this issue. It is well improved, good house, barn, etc. A good lot of pasture, good grove, in fact everything one needs for a good stock farm. The farm can be bought for \$20 per acre. Call at this office for information.

Four pounds best Rio roast coffee for \$1. at the cash store of M. E. Geiss.
—In our issue of week before last there appeared in our columns an article, in which it was stated that the official board of the Christian church at Camp Point had notified the pastor that his services was no longer wanted. This statement is contradicted by the pastor himself, and he further states that no charges have been preferred against him by said officers.
Dry goods in all styles at J. H. Carver's.

Go to J. H. Carver for a fine hat.

—Miss Kate Carver returned home last Thursday evening after a visit of two or three weeks among friends at Pleasant Plains.
White shirts at fifty cents.
J. H. CARVER.

—Horace Turnham left on Thursday evening for Barstow, California, where he has accepted a position as fireman on a switch engine.

J. H. Carver wants all the people to call and see his fine stock of goods.
—Hey diddle diddle, here is a good riddle, and to guess it you'll have to be wise. How can a man make a very large stake in business if he don't advertise?—Ex

Lewinson is the only man that will sympathize with your hard earned dollar these hard times. Try him.

—THE MEREDOSIA NEWS, a new paper just started by W. T. Hedenberg and C. W. Stinson reaches us. It is well edited and nicely printed and contains a liberal amount of advertising. We welcome Messrs. Hedenberg & Stinson to the field of journalism and hope they will make the "News" a lasting success.—Pike Co. Democrat.

D. Watts is the place to buy your watches, clocks, jewelry and specialties.

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—Last Monday some half dozen respectable dressed mendicants paraded our streets during the greater portion of the forenoon. They boldly called on the business men right and left, and strange to say, received liberal donations, and no effort was made to prevent the prosecution of their calling. These beggars were prominent citizens of our city and were engaged in raising money for the expense of a survey of the routes over which it is proposed to build roads in Schuyler county. The necessary money was raised and the surveyor set to work. We shall soon, we hope, have something definite as to the cost of building the road.—Beardstown Star.

J. H. Carver has just received an immense stock of fall and winter goods. Call and see them.

—We stepped into the exclusive boot and shoe house of A. E. Ritscher one day last week and while there he showed us through his mammoth stock. He has one of the finest lines of boots and shoes to be found in this section of country, and is selling them at a discount of eight per cent. for cash. An exchange truthfully remarks when it says: "Keep your feet dry and take precautionary measures to avoid colds, which, if not checked in due time will terminate in that dread disease consumption." You can make a sure thing of keeping your feet dry by going to Ritscher's boot and shoe house and procuring the best goods on sale at the lowest possible figures. See his ad in another column.

—Our readers will confer a favor on us by handing in the names of their friends that formerly resided in this vicinity, so we can mail them a sample copy of The News.

Ladies! It will be to your interest to see my large line of dress goods, samples before buying elsewhere, as I can save you from twenty to twenty-five per cent. At the cash store of M. E. Geiss.

—J. M. Bush, Jr., of the Pike Co. Democrat, who was one of the fishing party that went to the Locks last week, says: "It may be interesting to some to know just a little about the government locks. It is an immense work and has cost the government thousands of dollars, and while the work has been completed for several years the government at present has a pay list at that place of about \$3,000 per month. The dam is some six or eight hundred feet long with the lock at the west end, and is made of rock with cut stone abutment at each end, and a wooden apron or incline on the lower side its full length. The dam with the water behind it is some ten feet higher than the stream below, and as the water comes pouring over and rushes madly down the incline, forming one solid sheet or fall eight hundred feet long and twenty feet wide, it presents a very pretty sight, one that it was claimed by those of our party, who had seen both, was fully equal to the far famed falls of St. Anthony, Minn.

Go to J. H. Carver for a fine hat.

—The Eagle Roller Mills owned by Hickman Bros., at Mt. Sterling, was destroyed by fire on Monday night, about 11 o'clock. Nearly everybody was awakened by the loud tolling of the fire bell and rushed to the fire. There is no fire department there and all the people could do was to save a few outside things while the fire was rapidly doing its work on the inside. The mill is now in ruins. All the machinery is ruined, besides the building and a large stock of wheat is destroyed. The loss will amount to between \$5,000 and \$10,000. The origin of the fire is unknown.

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State Fair Train.

For the State Fair at Peoria, the Jacksonville Southeastern Line will run special trains every morning from September 29th to Oct. 3rd inclusive that will connect with the Wabash morning train from Meredosian, and there is also good connection in the return direction so the round trip can be made nicely in a day. Tickets will be sold at one fare for the

—Bring in your news items.
—A fine rain Tuesday night.
—John Nevill has a new barber.
—Will Wilday and wife spent Sunday at Naples.

—Thos. Gray, of Brown county, invaded our sanctum Tuesday.
—Joe Schmitt and Charlie May spent the day in Jacksonville Monday.

—Ed Heaton went out one day last week and killed seventy-one snakes.

—A. R. Graves, of Versailles, was here Monday evening between trains.

—John Burris and Misses Annie and Allie Webster Sunday in Arenzville.

—Calvin Heflin, of Versailles, was a caller at The News office last Tuesday.

—Charlie Hyatt caught an eel three and one-half feet long in the river on Tuesday.

—The steamer Pike arrived Tuesday evening loaded with goods for our merchants.

—There will be a Farmers' Alliance meeting held at Versailles on Saturday, Oct. 11.

—Wm. Vandeventer and wife, of Brown county, was in town last Tuesday shopping.

—George Lauderman, T. Lewis, Mrs. J. W. Frye and son, of Naples, were here on business Monday.

—George James left Wednesday for Decatur to attend the re-union of the 115th and 116th Ill. Infantry.

—D. Watts, Frank Wilson, Misses Nellie Turner, Callie Moore and Mr. John Turner Sunday in Naples.

—John Nevill is putting in a bath room in connection with his barber shop. That is a good move, John.

—Will Wantland, representing the Quincy Candy Company, called on our merchants and The News Monday morning.

—T. J. Bowen, of Russellville, Ark., is visiting in town this week, the guest of his daughter, Mrs. B. E. Decker.

—We received a communication from "Jack, the Rover," dated at Georgetown, Colo., which will appear next week.

—Al Furgess and wife, of Naples, accompanied by Miss Eva Furgess, of Springfield, Will Watts and Will Miller, of Naples, spent Tuesday in this place.

—Charlie Hauser is the happiest man in town, the occasion of which is a fine girl at his house. Weight ten pounds. Mother and child are doing well, and we think Charlie will recover.

—Harry Christianer made a trip to Beardstown Sunday, and was accompanied by his mother, who will make a visit of four or five weeks with her sons, Harry and George, and also with Herman Hobrock, of Oxville, before she returns home.

Go to J. H. Carver's for a fine suit of clothes.

—The senior editor is in Chicago this week laying in our job out fit. We will be ready for that kind of business next week. When wanting commercial printing of any kind, such as letter heads, note heads, bill heads, statements, counter tabs, checks, envelopes, wedding cards, business cards, circulars, etc., give us a call. We can suit you both in price and workmanship. Color work a specialty. We will also be prepared to do all kinds of poster work from a small gutter snipe to a three sheet poster.

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**The Brooklyn Preacher's First Day
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Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage delivered

As we descended the narrow steps, the side of the ship, we heard the clatter of iron, and quarrel, and swearing, of fifteen or sixteen different races of men of different features, and all colors of skin, and all different languages, but all alike in desire to get our baggage and ourselves at exorbitant prices. Twelve boats and only ten passengers to the shore. The man having charge of the pushes aside some, and strikes with his head against others, and says to those that would not be tolerated in our country, but which seems to be the order of manner of making any impression there, clears our way into one of the boats which heads for the shore. We are within five minutes of the beach, and in five minutes we will be landed. The port of the boat is caught by men who wish to help us in. We are tremendously crowded, and we are gasping for fresh breath is quick, and from the side of the boat we spring to the shore.

But reference to Peter reminds me that we must go to the house-tops in Joppa where he has taught the democracy of religion. That was about the queerest thing that ever happened in the history of the house-top. It passed in an old well where the great stones were worn deep with the ropes of the buckets, and it must be a well many centuries old, and I think Peter drank out of the well. Four or five goats or calveskins filled with water lay about the yard. We soon got up the steps, and the house-top was a flat, open space, like a place in Joppa, the Peter one soon, while he was waiting for dinner, had a hungry fit, and fainted away, and had a vision or dream or trance. I said to my family and friends on that house-to-that house-to, "Listen while I read about what happened here, and you open your eyes to the whole story. It seems that Peter on the house-top dreamt that a great blanket was let down out of Heaven, and in it were sheep a goats and cattle and mules and pigeons and buzzards and snakes and all manner of creatures that fly the air or swim the sea. And he saw that he was in a dream a robe told him his he was hungry, to eat, and he said: 'I can no eat things unclean.' Three times

nial morn shall gild the pinnacle of the
 finished temple, and at its shining
 gates the world shall put down its
 burden, and its weary folk shall
 sit down, and at its altar the law
 shall be read, and the people shall
 derer shall kneel. At the dedication
 that temple all the armies of earth
 Heaven will "shoulder arms," and
 "present arms," and "ground arms,"
 for, behold a greater man than Sol-
 man is here."

But my first day in the Holy Land
 ended with its already closing hor-
 izon for the night. I stand on the ba-
 cony of a hotel which was brought
 to Joppa in pieces from the State of Main-
 by some fanatics who came here ex-
 pected to see Christ reappear in Palesti-
 My room here was once occupied by
 Christian hero of the centuries—Eng-
 lishman George Gordon Byron, the "Dona-
 Gaius," a world might be too far
 for the world's poetical co. Although
 the first of December a soft winter, the
 air is full of fragrance from gardens a-
 bloom, and under my window a-
 acacia and tamarisk, and mulberry and
 century plants, and orange groves are
 all around me, and the fragrance of the
 and the fragrance of the day is full
 sleepy. Good night! To-morrow morn-
 ing we start for Jerusalem.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

Bushnell is now "lit" by electric lights.

The typos on the Monmouth Journal are on a strike.

A Rushville girl dropped her shoe from the window and killed a mule.

The Illinois institute for deafmutes at Jacksonville has an enrollment of six hundred.

Work commenced in the pottery at Macomb last week. It is claimed that Macomb now has the best equipped pottery in the state.

Henry Freeman, a young man who has taught school in the west part of Barry township, died in Martinsburg last week at 28 years of age.

The fine new depot at Roodhouse is nearing completion. This when completed will be one of the finest depots in the state outside of Chicago.

While at the bottom of a well, John Griswold, of Boyd's Grove, Stark county, was instantly killed by a stone which someone carelessly loosened, falling upon him.

At the republican congressional convention held on the 24th inst. at Beardstown, Hon. Milton McClure, a lawyer, of Beardstown, was nominated as the candidate for congress.

The new board of pension examiners for Pike county is composed of Dr. J. H. Ledlie, of Pittsfield, president; Dr. R. H. Griffin, of New Salem, secretary and Dr. Harvey Dunn, of Perry, treasurer.

Three Macomb people became deathly ill after partaking of a pudding. The doctors pronounced it a case of poisoning; attributing it to the favoring extract used in making the pudding.

Cadwell brothers at New Salem expect to ship about 15,000 barrels of apples this fall. They have put up a cooper shop and have several hands at work making barrels. They have an 80-acre orchard filled with choice fruit.

Edward Snell, one of the prisoners who escaped from the Virginia Jail last week, was recaptured at Bath on Friday. He states that the tools with which they effected their escape were files and saws given Frank Beebe by his mother.

Frank T. Anderson, a well known farmer, living near LaHarpe, Hancock county, died Saturday in terrible agony from injuries received by being thrown from a horse a few days ago. He was a raving maniac for two or three days.

A man entered a Monmouth bank and inquired for a "red-headed girl" and failed to find the object of his search attempted to grab a stack of bank bills. He was promptly seized and placed in jail. However, he is believed to be insane and now claims to hail from Ohio.

A colored man in Quincy named Robert Adams was crushed between the bumpers of two freight cars last week and will probably die. Two other accidents occurred on the same day and would have cost another life—that of a lady—had it not been for the presence of mind and bravery of a hack driver.

Jimmie Fleider, aged 13 years, residing in Calhoun county, a few days ago shot his father while in the field, killing him. The father had talked harshly to the boy for plowing carelessly, and left his own team to plow a round or two to show his son. He told the boy to carry the gun around as he might see some game to shoot. The boy walked behind his father and, after walking a short distance shot him dead. The boy confessed the crime.

Wm. Whitlesey, late Supt. Hancock county poor farm, has brought suit for libel against F. A. Warden and Ed. Manifold, members of the board of supervisors, for the alleged false statement in their report to the board in regard to the way his accounts stand with the county. Attorneys J. B. Rissie and George Edmunds have been retained by the complainant; the defense being represented by States Attorney Halbow and Sharpard Berry Bros. Mr. Whitlesey sues for \$5,000.

A sensational shooting occurred at Burnside, a little town north of O. C. Simmons, on Monday last week. O. C. Simmons, who is proprietor of a hotel at Dallas City, was driving through

Burnside Monday afternoon, when Walter Thompson, a well known young farmer, called to Simmons to halt, that he would give him a thrashing. The two men fought and Simmons beat Thompson badly. Thompson ran into his house, and procuring a shotgun, followed Simmons some distance. When within twenty-six yards of Simmons Thompson fired and killed Simmons with chicken shot. Some of the shot passed through Simmons' tongue. The affair is said to have originated over a woman.

On the 9th of this month a mad dog was in Montgomery county, near Wellsville, and bit several hogs. Two or three have since died. About the same time the dog bit a son of W. T. Ellis on his left arm, just above the elbow. It also "licked" the hand of Mr. Ellis upon which he had a sore. A week or ten days after Mr. Ellis' hand began to swell, as did also the little boy's arm. Both wounds continued to grow worse, and finally Mr. Ellis concluded to come to Hannibal and have Dr. Vermette apply the mad stone. He arrived with his son yesterday afternoon and the madstone was applied last evening. It adhered to Mr. Ellis' hand about 15 hours and to the little boy's hand nearly all night. When it dropped off of Mr. Ellis' hand this morning it had extracted about two ounces of poison which was green as gall. A considerable quantity of poison was also extracted from the little boy. Dr. Vermette informs us that he never knew the stone to adhere to a wound so long before although he had applied it to hundreds of people. Mr. Ellis' hand is badly swollen, but is much better than it was yesterday and he will remain in the city until all the poison had been extracted from both wounds. The wealthy farmer of Montgomery county says that he is worth to be assured that he is out of danger.—Hannibal Courier.

The following shows fully the folly of an extremely early burial. A horrible case of premature burial came to light in the cemetery at Szegeid recently. A woman who had suffered with a puzzling malady had, to all appearances, died, and was buried. The friends of the deceased granted permission that the body should be exhumed for an autopsy, regarding the nature of the disease. To the horror of the workmen when they opened the coffin it was found that the woman had been buried alive and that she had in her agony given birth to a child.

Capture of Four Moonshiners.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., September 29.—United States officers raided illicit stills in Howard county last Thursday and captured nineteen crooks and three stills. Four of the moonshiners were brought to Little Rock Sunday and were examined before the United States commissioner to-day. This is the most successful raid ever made in the state. The capture was effected by Deputy Marshal Fulkinbury and Revenue Collector Clow without firing a gun. The men were bound over to the United States court.

All Night Dental Parlors.

A new wrinkle for drawing custom is the keeping open of dental establishments all night for the accommodation of those who have to work all the day and cannot afford to lose time by spending it in a dentist's chair. The idea is a practical success. The first week shows a patronage almost if not quite as large as during the day. The operators say they can do just as good work by the aid of an incandescent light as by the light of the sun, and that the quiet of the streets by night has a soothing effect on the nerves which are not so sensitive to pain as when tensely strung by day and by the excitement of daylight surroundings. All-night dental parlors seem to have come in obedience to a popular demand and it looks as if they might become as common as the all-night restaurant or as is the work of building by incandescent light.—N. Y. Letter.

Bill Nye on Table Etiquette.

The following are a few hints on table etiquette which Bill Nye has kindly offered for the free use of the American public: It is considered vulgar to eat everything within your reach, and then try to dig the ornamental designs off the plate with your spoon in a mad effort to get the rest of the food, or wipe up your dish with a roof, like an engine wiper working on a neglected locomotive. You should eat all the time as if you did not choose any, or had no occasion, as we say at our house when we have company, and throughout the meal preserve an air of ennui and appear as disinterested as possible. Do not begin to eat like a hungry horse while the blessing is being rendered, but sit quietly and do not fight with the cake or crack your knuckles and murmur at the delay. Do not seek to obtain the last drop of gravy on your plate by upending it into your spoon or mouth, and if you wear a heavy mustache it might be well occasionally to run your fork through it in search of custard or other game which may have secreted itself there. The bright bon mots of a man with a mustache fall upon the mind like a pall. In eating raw oysters do not seek to hurry matters by means of a violent inhalation at the moment of taking them from the fork; and if you should drop one on the floor do not gather it up with your hand and slap it down on your plate with an oath, or put it on the head of a bald clergyman whom you know but slightly. Tell the waiter in a low tone of voice that he will get it from the door he may have it for his own. Then you may go on with your persiflage or whatever may be on your plate at the time.

Your Town.

Talk about it. Write about it. Speak well of it. Help to improve it. Beautify the streets. Patronize its merchants. Advertise in its newspapers. Speak well of its enterprises. If you are rich invest in something, employ somebody, be a "rustler." If you don't think of any good word to say don't say anything bad about it. Remember that every dollar you invest in a permanent improvement is that much of interest. Be courteous to strangers that come among us so that they go away with a good impression. Always cheer up the men who go in for improvements—your portion of the cost will only be what is just. Don't kick about any necessary public improvement because it is not at your own door or for fear that your taxes would be raised fifteen cents. Above all never spend a dollar out of town that you can use for the same in town. Buy your goods, employ labor and pay your taxes at home.—Ex.

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BENEVOLENT LODGE, No. 22, A. F. & A. M. meets on the first and third Saturday of each month. J. J. BAUMAN, W. M.

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A TRAPPER'S DISCOVERY.

Special Correspondence to THE NEWS.

One of those incidents, which is truly designated as "truth stranger than fiction" has been unraveled recently in the discovery of a hidden and lost camping ground of "old time" prospectors, in the wilds of Western Colorado, the incidents and wild and weird adventures of which, as fully as are known, I will relate.

Away back in the summer of '86, there were known about Central City, Blackhawk and Georgetown, a party of prospectors. They claimed to be four in number, two of whom answered to the soubriquet of "Poker Dave" and "Good-Eye" their proper names; if they were ever known are now forever lost to

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The Louisiana Lottery is virtually shut out from the mails, but it is shut out from the express companies its existence and profits will continue. At this point the conspirators must soon be attacked by Congress.

The Russian Minister of the Interior is said to be preparing a law authorizing the deportation of Siberia, under administrative process (without trial) of all foreigners who have been expelled from their own countries and whose governments refuse to recognize them.

It looks as though Postmaster Wheat of the National House of Representatives is likely to get sacked. His methods for augmenting his income at the expense of subordinates have been shown to be such that no party could afford to shoulder the responsibility of his continuance in office.

Under our form of government every citizen is presumed to be a politician—an amateur at least. The professional take possession of the minutes, however, and leave the amateurs a very small part to play in the actual work of government.

Late mail advises indicate cholera is raging to an alarming extent in Japan. Up to the time of the departure of the mail steamer China from Yokohama, September 7, there had been 15,480 cases reported and 9,385 deaths. The epidemic was particularly virulent in Tokio.

The Mexican newspapers are calling upon their Government to appeal to the Postal Union against the action of the United States Government in forbidding the transportation of Mexican newspapers, bearing Mexican postage, containing lottery advertisements through the United States mails.

That electricity will kill, and that it is, was forcibly demonstrated in New Orleans, recently, when a tin-smith at work repairing a roof placed himself in contact with an electric-light wire from which the insulating material had been worn off. A convulsive shudder was the sign of life after the instant of contact, and the body was neither burned nor distorted.

Spain is finding it necessary to take precautions against a possible Republic uprising. The republic has a trial in Spain and did not prove as acceptable to that country as its supporters expected. Republicans believe, though, that if they had another "show" they would avoid the blunders which they committed fifteen or eighteen years ago.

The question has been raised in England as to the necessity for re-organizing St. Paul's Cathedral in view of the recent suicide in the sacred edifice. The traditions of the Church of England would seem to favor the affirmative side of the question. Archdeacon Sinclair is of the opinion that the decision in the matter will rest on whether the man was quite dead when carried out of the building.

A SCHMIDT is on foot for the adoption of a system of letter boxes over every house in cities where the free delivery is in operation, thereby saving much time to the carriers in their rounds. The postmasters from a number of the principal cities of the country recently met in Washington to examine the various devices of inventors to supply the want and a fortune awaits the lucky man whose box the Post-Office Department adopts.

INFATUATION for the game of chess has ruined one of the most brilliant newspaper men in Michigan. Fred Elder, a graduate of Amherst, with a mind as bright and as keen as any in the land, entered the journalistic field fifteen years ago. To-day he is a vagrant in the clutches of the law, and all owing to the fact of his permitting the pleasures of the game of chess to draw him away from his legitimate pursuits.

A FEW years ago Lawyer Leonard befriended Louis Streinzel, a Colorado miner, who went to New York to see the elephant and landed in Bellevue Hospital a physical and mental wreck. Leonard, after a long legal conflict, secured Streinzel's release, and received a fee for his services. But the gratitude of the Colorado man did not stop there, for by his will, made public since his recent demise, Lawyer Leonard is found to be richer by \$250,000.

The records show that 12,325 bills and 235 joint resolutions were introduced in the House during the session of Congress just ended, against 11,009 bills and 233 joint resolutions introduced during the first session of the Fifty-first Congress, against 3,043 bills and 118 joint resolutions for the corresponding session of the Fifty Congress. The bills introduced in the Senate during the Fifty-first Congress numbered 4,000 and the joint resolutions numbered 145.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Compiled from Various Sources.

CONGRESSIONAL PROCEEDINGS.
In the Senate, on the 25th, the conference report on the tariff bill was adopted, as to 27, Messrs. Plumb, Paddock and Pettigrew voting in the negative. The Senate also passed House bill (with verbal amendments) to promote the administration of justice in the negative. The Senate also passed House bill (with verbal amendments) to promote the administration of justice in the negative. The Senate also passed House bill (with verbal amendments) to promote the administration of justice in the negative.

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The conditions of the cases of the Navassa rioters, who are under sentence of death in Baltimore, Md., is such as to strongly indicate that they will pay the penalty of their crime upon the gallows, despite the efforts which were put forth to bring them before the Supreme Court of the United States.

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ILLINOIS STATE NEWS.

Third Illinois Census District.
The population of the Third census district of Illinois, as announced by the Census Office, is 401,347. This is a gain of \$608,3. The rate of increase is 2.35 per cent. The district includes fourteen counties in the western part of the State. The following is their population, nine of the counties showing a decrease and five an increase:

COUNTIES	1880	1890	Inc.	Dec.
Bureau	74,791	84,772	1,780	
Fulton	44,071	41,234		2,837
Hancock	31,941	30,355		1,586
Henderson	3,862	3,722		140
Macoupin	25,941	25,729		212
Monroe	27,466	27,700		234
Peoria	70,119	65,353		4,766
Rock Island	41,896	40,300		1,596
Schuyler	13,906	14,230		324
Stark	2,921	2,707		214
Warren	21,715	22,938		1,223

The population of eight of the principal cities and towns is as follows:

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Champaign	12,908	14,702	1,794	13.9
Clinton	12,211	11,427		6.4
Galva	2,757	2,148		22.1
Geneseo	1,584	1,294		18.9
Marion	11,958	7,939		33.6
Macomb	10,977	10,567		3.7
Rock Island	14,698	11,559		21.0

Fifth Census District.
The population of the Fifth census district of Illinois, which includes fourteen counties in the central part of the State, have been announced by the Census Office, the rate of gain being 8.9 per cent. Three of the counties—Clark, De Witt and Iroquois—show a slight decrease, and the great gains were made by Mason, Vermilion and Coles. The following is the population of the district by counties:

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State Board of Equalization.
A few days ago the State Board of Equalization has got so far along with its work that it has found the total assessment of Cook County, on the equalization of \$143,000,000, an increase of nearly \$53,000,000 above the assessed value of the county in 1890.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.
EX-EMPEROR DON PABLO DE BRASIL is in Cologne. He is described as looking very unhappy and completely broken down, and is continually accompanied by an attendant, owing to his feeble condition. At intervals, in conversation, he is heard to mutter, "Brazil, Oh, dear Brazil!" It is feared that his mind is weakened by his misfortunes.

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THE PENSION BUREAU.

Annual Report of the Commissioner of Pensions for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1890, and Including the First Quarter of the Current Fiscal Year.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—The annual report of the Commissioner of Pensions for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1890, was submitted to the Secretary of the Interior yesterday. It shows that at the end of the fiscal year there were 337,735 pensioners upon the rolls. There were 68,337 original claims allowed during the year, being 14,716 more than were allowed in 1889. The amount of the first payment of these claims aggregated \$32,478,841, being \$11,000,492 more than in the previous fiscal year, and \$17,375,235 more than the total payments of the fiscal year 1888. The average annual value of each pension at the close of the year was \$132.04.

Commissioner Raum says that upon assuming charge of the Pension Office last October he discovered that a number of important changes were necessary to secure satisfactory results; that were brought to the attention of the Secretary of the Interior. There were no satisfactory specified duties provided for the deputy commissioners or the chief clerk of the bureau. Several thousand letters were daily received from claimants and attorneys making complaints, to which no reply was made; the medical division was divided into sections for consideration of classified diseases; the power of review was exercised by heads of divisions and examiners, rather than by the Commissioner.

THE RESCUE OF ALBERT.
When Count d'Albret had passed away, he left no son or heir. And so his many adherents fell to his daughter, and she, in turn, to his daughter's daughter. To keep the name alive he willed that on her wedding day the bride should take the arms and title of Albret.

She dwelt within her castle old, this noble dame, almost as much from life apart as in the castle walls. Ten men at arms the place to guard; ten servants at her call. A white-haired priest, a squire, four maidens—these were all.

But many a needy gentleman bethought him of the prize. For him who favored found within the noble lady's hand.

And waited with impatience till, twelve months being o'er, At the gates of the castle old, would show her self, as of old.

My name is not one and court, am all devoid of grace. Advanced in years and gray of beard, with scarred and wrinkled face, I may not win with courtesy, phrase, as might some squire.

My winning shall my woeing be; I'll gain her by my woe. "She said at home, my squire, report, not twenty miles away. They say she has ten men at arms, no more to guard Albret. The dwellers in the village near, I little seek for those. We'll break them off like trifling gnat when we have hold on these."

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A noisier troop before the place next day drew. "Two hundred ruffians, at their head the grisly John Lancashire. Root through the tower with oath and jest, and ransacking on the field, sent message to the chateleine, and summoned her to yield."

"I'll mean," twas said, "but courtesy: you promise treatment fair, and I'll be true to those in league hold who may re-standance dare." "The Countess showed no craven fear; she sent forth her maid, and with the garrison the robber-knave's attack."

It was not long to wait; they came with confidence. With scaling ladders for the walls, and rams to force the gate. It was not long before they found their frantic work, and with a shout, "The castle hold is ours!"

"With twenty scores wounded men, and five among their slain. 'We'll spare more loss,' cried John Lancashire, 'of food they have no store: I'll leave them to the work for us before a week be o'er.' And so he ordered watch and ward, while care came, day by day. The ruffians strove to win at last, before the castle lay."

When broad fell short, Girard Beaujeu, the page, he eager said: "My great and noble lady, thus our fate must needs give me to seek. Alas! my lord, my lord, we ride to storm a castle hold. It walls contain a wife for me, for rich, rich store of gold."

"Go forth, Girard," the lady said, "go forth, for yet perchance May be some knight who keep aid, and the sword and lance. Go forth, and if your eager search bring succor in our need. Honor and land, as well as thanks, shall surely be your meed."

From prison gate, at dead of night, with sword in hand, he steals; Now creeps by bush, now crawls by stone, now slips by wall, and thus he gains the castle hold, and makes his way to where The bodies of the lost knights lie in the open air.

He saddles one and bridle one, and slowly leads him down. The gray slope and o'er the road, and past the sleeping town. Then mounts with care, and cautious rides, till from all hearing passed. Then tries on the wakened steed, and gallops hard and fast.

Sir Hugh d'Espaigne, with nine his friends, were holding round fair. Within a little hollow, "Le Lion Rouge," at Albret. Sir Hugh d'Espaigne, and said to him: "It honor you easy. Come where a rabble rout bestir my lady of Albret."

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It was not long to wait; they came with confidence. With scaling ladders for the walls, and rams to force the gate. It was not long before they found their frantic work, and with a shout, "The castle hold is ours!"

"With twenty scores wounded men, and five among their slain. 'We'll spare more loss,' cried John Lancashire, 'of food they have no store: I'll leave them to the work for us before a week be o'er.' And so he ordered watch and ward, while care came, day by day. The ruffians strove to win at last, before the castle lay."

When broad fell short, Girard Beaujeu, the page, he eager said: "My great and noble lady, thus our fate must needs give me to seek. Alas! my lord, my lord, we ride to storm a castle hold. It walls contain a wife for me, for rich, rich store of gold."

"Go forth, Girard," the lady said, "go forth, for yet perchance May be some knight who keep aid, and the sword and lance. Go forth, and if your eager search bring succor in our need. Honor and land, as well as thanks, shall surely be your meed."

From prison gate, at dead of night, with sword in hand, he steals; Now creeps by bush, now crawls by stone, now slips by wall, and thus he gains the castle hold, and makes his way to where The bodies of the lost knights lie in the open air.

He saddles one and bridle one, and slowly leads him down. The gray slope and o'er the road, and past the sleeping town. Then mounts with care, and cautious rides, till from all hearing passed. Then tries on the wakened steed, and gallops hard and fast.

Sir Hugh d'Espaigne, with nine his friends, were holding round fair. Within a little hollow, "Le Lion Rouge," at Albret. Sir Hugh d'Espaigne, and said to him: "It honor you easy. Come where a rabble rout bestir my lady of Albret."

Sir Hugh gave ear to tale he told, and to the others then. He said: "There are two hundred there, and here we are but ten. 'Tis not of but a score of friends; 'twill heighten the melody; Let's mount at once, fair friends, and reach the spot ere break of day."

They armed themselves, they mounted fast; Sir Hugh was in the lead; And as they neared the robbers' camp they checked their horses' speed; Gently along the road they made in silence, till they came where, through the dark, loomed suddenly Albret.

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MEREDOSIA, ILLINOIS

THE RESCUE OF ALBERT.

When Count d'Albret had passed away, he left no son or heir. And so his many adherents fell to his daughter, and she, in turn, to his daughter's daughter. To keep the name alive he willed that on her wedding day the bride should take the arms and title of Albret.

She dwelt within her castle old, this noble dame, almost as much from life apart as in the castle walls. Ten men at arms the place to guard; ten servants at her call. A white-haired priest, a squire, four maidens—these were all.

But many a needy gentleman bethought him of the prize. For him who favored found within the noble lady's hand.

And waited with impatience till, twelve months being o'er, At the gates of the castle old, would show her self, as of old.

My name is not one and court, am all devoid of grace. Advanced in years and gray of beard, with scarred and wrinkled face, I may not win with courtesy, phrase, as might some squire.

My winning shall my woeing be; I'll gain her by my woe. "She said at home, my squire, report, not twenty miles away. They say she has ten men at arms, no more to guard Albret. The dwellers in the village near, I little seek for those. We'll break them off like trifling gnat when we have hold on these."

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TERMS: \$1.25 A YEAR, IN ADVANCE.

Every night 23,000 homeless and homeless people sleep by the Thames, in what they call the port of London.

Some people argue that there is no need for a \$3 gold piece. It is a great convenience to purchasers of \$3 shoes and \$3 pants.

OKLAHOMA is forging rapidly ahead to the front of civilization. The new territory has just experienced its first bank failure.

The president of Uruguay lives up over a millinery store with his wife. He is evidently living over a gold mine judging from current prices in millinery.

The Supreme Court of Vermont is asked to decide whether a man may recover from his best girl, who has jilted him, presents that he made to her when they were engaged.

The Prince of Wales is the thirty-third grandson of Alfred the Great in the line of direct descent. He seems to be almost as far from the throne of England at present as he is from his famous grandfather.

MAYOR CHAPIN, of Brooklyn, believes in taking time by the forelock. He recently suppressed an anarchist meeting on the ground that the public preaching of disorder would lead to future breaches of the peace.

HERE is an excuse brought one day by a tall, red-haired boy of seventeen to his teacher: "Dere Cir—Pleeze to egcuse Heary for absents yesterday. We made sourkrout and he had to tromp it down. Also he had to Help bucher 2 pigs. Respekful yuers, His Pap."

THE Congressional committee on the pension bureau has had the Washington correspondents of a New York paper before it, commanding them to disclose the source of information upon which they had been showing up the mismanagement of the bureau under Mr. Baum.

SOME fifty literary women of New England are to participate in the Congress of Women to be held at Toronto on Oct. 14. Among the speakers from Massachusetts will be the president, Mrs. Julia Ward Howe, Mrs. Kate Garnett Wells, Miss Mary F. Eastman and Mrs. Kate Tannatt Woods.

A LONDON firm has adopted a novel mode of advertising. It uses vacuum tubes in conjunction with high tension transformers and forms these into designs which are filled with electric light. It is said that most beautiful effects can be worked out. In this new mode of electrical illumination. An almost equally original method of advertising is about to be adopted in Chicago, where it is understood that tricycles driven by motors operated by storage batteries will be used in the streets for advertising purposes.

A SYSTEM has been invented by an officer of the United States Navy by which stringed musical instruments can be operated by electricity. He produces sound by the vibration of a stretched wire in a magnetic field. An alternating current is passed through the wire and vibrations are set up, and continue so long as the current flows. The best results are gained where the current is made and broken unevenly, as by rubbing a terminal over a coarse file. The inventor proposes to apply this invention to an electrical piano, and also in a system of multiple telegraphy.

In the rear room of one of the most celebrated burial shops in New York, there has met for years one of the holiest social organizations in that city. It is known as the Midnight Club, and is composed of preachers, undertakers, men about town, embalmers, business men, with a newspaper man for president. There are caskets and coffins of every size in the huge cases, that line the walls, and usually several corpses are awaiting shipment or burial, but the surroundings have no stifling effects upon the spirits of the midnight gathering, and if anything, they add zest to the jokes that bubble up to the surface in the intervals of more solid conversation. —Ex.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our regular correspondents.)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3, 1890. Speaking politically Washington without Congress is the play of Hamlet with Hamlet left out, but in order to save my reputation as a prophet I will not say for how long, as it is possible that many people think it probable that Mr. Harrison will issue a proclamation calling an extra session to meet immediately after the Congressional election. My own opinion is that he will not.

The closing hours of Congress were very tame. Mr. Harrison and his cabinet resumed the old custom, which was discarded by Mr. Cleveland, of going to the president's room in the rear of the Senate chamber in order to save delay in acting upon last-hour measures. Here it was that the tariff bill and a number of more insignificant measures were signed.

The House had no quorum since last Saturday, and no attempt was made to act upon anything likely to cause any of the members to make the point of "no quorum." Its last breath, so to speak, was used in declaring the office of Postmaster of the House vacant, the committee on Accounts having found Postmaster Wheat guilty of allowing his son to draw two salaries and of accepting money from the contractor for carrying the mails to and from the House Postoffice, and in instructing the assistant Postmaster to take charge of the office. When the Speaker declared the House adjourned there were scarcely two dozen members present.

In summing up the work of the session of Congress just ended it is fair to say that few sessions have exceeded it in quantity of work done. Of course, opinions differ as to the quality of the work. The republicans rating it as A. 1. all wool and a yard wide, while the democrats assert stoutly that it is nothing but "shoddy" of the poorest kind.

The three Senatorial P's—Plumb, Paddock and Pettigrew—who voted against the tariff bill, decided that they could not stand the size of the big P which stood for more protection than they thought their constituents cared for, and it is stated that Mr. Ingalls and several other Senators from the northwest came very near joining them. Had four of the republicans who voted for the bill have voted against it, it would have been defeated.

It will be some time before politicians stop talking of the manner in which Mr. Harrison aided Mr. Blaine to triumph over Speaker Reed by appointing the man recommended by Blaine and bitterly opposed by Reed to be Collector at Portland Maine. Mr. Reed and his closest friends were dazed for a time, so surprised were they at the President's action, and before they recovered from the shock the new collector had been confirmed by the Senate, arrangements having been made by Senators Hale and Frye to have it done without the usual reference to a committee. Mr. Reed has shown his good sense by refusing to talk, but some of his friends not being so judicious have not hesitated to say some ugly things. Disinterested politicians say that Mr. Harrison desires to keep up the warfare between Messrs. Blaine and Reed both of whom he regards as rivals for the Presidential nomination with the hope of ultimately benefitting thereby himself.

The Baum investigation flashed up again early this week when an attempt was made to find out who furnished the newspapers with information relating to the Pension office. The democrats accuse the republicans on the committee of trying to keep the investigation open in order to prevent the minority being made until after election, but the democrats on the committee have unofficially made public their report which maintains that the charges against Commissioner Baum have been more than proved. Meanwhile there are more rumors of Baum's resigning, but he denies them.

Mr. Harrison will start for Topeka, Kansas, next week, and before returning will visit several other places. Mr. Blaine is considering an invitation to deliver an address at the opening of the Atlanta, Georgia, Exposition on the 15th.

\$2,800,000 is the lowest bid received by the Navy department for building each of the three mammoth battleships provided for the Congress. Battleships are very expensive luxuries. Comment has been made because no democrat moved the adoption of the usual vote of thanks to the Speaker before the adjournment of the House. The slight was intentional, but the Speaker does not seem to care anything about it.

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The Dead Letter Office.

The accumulation of matter at the dead letter office has become so large as to call for a circular letter from the department at Washington calling publication to it. Over 6,000,000 pieces of mail matter are sent annually to the dead letter office, a daily average of over 20,000 pieces. During the past fiscal year the office received 451,000 misdirected or partially addressed letters, while 24,000 were without any address whatever; 98,000 were held for postage; 165,000 were addressed to persons in care of hotels; 42,000 bore fictitious addresses, containing correspondence relating to "green-goods" or sawdust; 28,000 contained money amounting to \$48,642; 27,000 contained checks, drafts and notes to the sum of \$1,471,871. Many thousands of packages were also received, containing all sorts of things, valuable and otherwise. Misdirection, incorrect, illegible and deficient addresses are given as leading causes which occasion the failure of mail matter to reach its proper destination, and the public is urged to exercise more care, thus insuring prompt delivery and saving the government needless trouble and expense.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Estate of George Burrus, deceased. PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, administrator of the estate of George W. Burrus, deceased, will attend before the County Court of Morgan County at the Court House in Jacksonville on the first Monday of November, A. D. 1890, being the third day thereof, for the purpose of making final settlement of said estate. At which time and place I will also ask for an order of distribution, and will also ask to be discharged. All persons interested are notified to attend. Jacksonville, Ill., Oct. 5, 1890. GEO. W. GRAHAM, Admr.

Executor's Notice.

Estate of John Winters, deceased. The undersigned, having been appointed executor of the last will and testament of John Winters, late of the county of Morgan, and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Morgan county, at the court house in Jacksonville, on the first Monday in December next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned. Dated this first day of October, A. D. 1890. JOSEPH SCHMITZ, Executor.

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in all varieties, is VERY CHEAP. We cordially invite our many friends to an inspection of them. All will be welcome and kindly treated whether you buy or not by our gentlemenly clerks, Messrs. Kratz and Lukmeyer. Thanking you for a thirty-one years patronage, I am truly yours,

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Staple and Fancy Groceries, Confectionery, Dry Goods, Hardware and Cutlery, Glass, Queens and Woodenware and

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Remember I sell for cash only and can and will sell cheaper than those selling on credit.

I cordially invite everybody to give me a call, and thanking my many friends for past patronage and hoping to receive a liberal share of same in the future I remain, Yours to Please,

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Buy them now. Wear them in the

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—Sweet Potatoes, \$1.40.
—Mixed Feed, 75c. cwt.
—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.100.
Go to J. H. Carver's for a fine suit of clothes.
—Dan Graham has been on the sick list the past week.
Go to J. H. Carver for a fine hat.
Horace Fugate visited home folks at New Berlin Monday.
—Jake Williams and wife, of Naples, were here on Tuesday.
Dry goods in all styles at J. H. Carver's.
—Frank Hauser is father to a twelve pound girl since Friday.
I am now prepared to repair watches and jewelry. N. HARRIS.
—Mrs. Jno. Lawson has gone to St. Louis to attend the fair.
Go to J. H. Carver's for great bargains.
—Brook Wight, of Versailles, was in town on business Tuesday.
Go to J. H. Carver's for all wool blankets.
—Alonso Dorman left for St. Louis on Tuesday to spend the week.
Four pounds best Rio roast coffee for \$1. at the cash store of M. E. Geiss.
—Prof. Daub, of Mt. Sterling was calling on friends here Tuesday.
See my line of ladies plush cloaks and save money. J. H. CARVER.
—Frank Wilson and John Burrus drove over to Griggsville on Sunday.
Go to J. H. Carver's for your notions and dry goods.
—L. F. Stark has returned to this place to make it his home in the future.
All linen collars 10 cents.
J. H. CARVER.
—Mrs. Wm. Hauser, and children spent last Sunday in Naples, the guest of Mrs. Tom Burrus.
Special sale on blankets this week. J. H. CARVER.
—Fred Bond and John Stone were here on Tuesday and took the eastern bound train in the evening.
For gents' underwear go to the cash store of M. E. Geiss.
—Mrs. A. J. Adams, of Hannibal, who has been visiting her sister Mrs. William Smithson, returned home Saturday.
All-wool red flannels at 20c per yard. J. H. CARVER.
—Mrs. McNeal has gone to Oxville to visit for a few days, from which place she will go to Lincoln where she will make her future home.
Boys suits at \$1.00—new goods at that—at J. H. CARVER'S.
—When will this railroad slaughter to have end? It is a reproach to the country that accident follows accident with attendant loss of life and if the blame is ever fixed or any penalty inflicted the world never hears about it. J. H. Carver wants all the people to call and see his fine stock of goods.
—The weekly papers of Alabama are having a hard time with the new lottery law. Many of the small publications have been denied the use of the mails and several publishers have been arrested. Post-office inspectors are laying for them all along the line. White shirts at fifty cents.
J. H. CARVER.
—We wish to say to our readers that we have for sale one of the best stock farms in Western Illinois. Read our advertisement in another column of this issue. It is well improved, good house, barn, etc. A good lot of pasture, good grove, in fact everything one needs for a good stock farm. The farm can be bought for \$20 per acre.
Ladies! It will be to your interest to see my large line of dress goods, samples before buying elsewhere, as I can save you from twenty to twenty-five per cent. At the cash store of M. E. Geiss.

—Subscribe for THE NEWS.
—Henry Geiss attended the skate at Mt. Sterling Thursday night.
—The ad. of Vaughn & Moon, of Versailles, appears this week.
—Miss Ella Reyland, of Jacksonville, visited relatives here last week.
—A representative of the Quincy Journal was in town last Sunday.
—Harve Wilson spent Sunday in this place the guest of his parents.
—Remember we have one of the best stock farms in Illinois for sale cheap.
—Mrs. Jno. Thomas, of Naples, visited her daughter, Mrs. Lawson this week.
—The pecan groves across the river are daily filled with people from both sides.
—Thos. Purnell, of Maryland visited his brother, C. H. a few days last week.
—Mrs. D. H. Lollis went to Rockville, Indiana, last week for a visit to relatives.
—The good work on our side walks still continues, and we hope it will for some time.
—Henry Ricks and Mr. Shultz, of Jacksonville, were here on business one day last week.
—Willie Cody, son of Jas. Cody, fell from a pecan tree one day last week and dislocated his wrist.
—The Misses Bushnell and William Pond visited in Hersman Sunday the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Cox.
—Jno. Brown, Henry Lowens, Scott Hill and Wils. Sides, of Elkhorn, Brown county, were in town Saturday.
—Jno. Nevill has his bath room fixed up in good shape. He had some trouble with his engine, but has it now remedied.
J. H. Carver has just received an immense stock of fall and winter goods. Call and see them.
—A drummer of Iowa, traveling for the Waltham watch company bought a one-third interest in an about-to-be abandoned zinc mine at Joplin, for \$155. He went down into the mine, dug an hour, struck it richly, and coming out sold his interest for \$15,000 cash.
D. Watts is the place to buy your watches, clocks, jewelry and specialties.
—Most of the Indians have got an idea that a new God is coming—one who will help them drive the white man into the sea—and old Indian fighters predict a grand uprising soon. When the red man gets ready for it he should select his burial spot, for the result will be a wipe out.
—The following, taken from an exchange will doubtless be appreciated by housekeepers: If a tablespoonful of kerosene is put into four quarts of tepid water and this is used in washing windows and mirrors, instead of pure water, there will remain upon the cleaned surface a polish no amount of mere friction can give.
—In the case of John Edwards, charged with rape, which was to have been heard before Judge Doody last Thursday, the defendant waived examination, and was bound over till the November term of circuit court in the sum of \$500, which he was enabled to give by his father coming to the rescue and putting up \$250 cash and a mortgage on his house and lot in Barry for a like amount.—Barry Adage.
—The first issue of THE MEREDOSIA NEWS is upon our table. It is a neat five-column quarto, containing much spicy, local news and other reading matter, and also shows a liberal patronage from the merchants of that place. The publishers are W. T. Hedenberg, a former Mt. Sterling boy, and C. W. Stinson, of Versailles, late of the Golden Advance. We wish THE NEWS success.—Mt. Sterling Democrat-Message.

—While at the Locks a few days since and in looking over the register on Royal Moores' Palace Fishing Boat, we noticed the names of H. Condee and wife and Wm. Kendrick and wife of Mt. Sterling. Both brides are well known to us, Mrs. Condee being one of Clayton's popular young ladies, and Mrs. Kendrick, of Mt. Sterling. The newly married couples have our wishes for a successful voyage on the matrimonial sea.

—A New York man says that he has discovered a fly destroyer that discounts all the fly papers and fly poisons that have been put into use. Last spring he went into the country and brought back with him a number of bunches of clover blossoms. He hung them in his room to ornament the walls. The clover dried, and since he says not a fly will stay in the room. He studied and watched, and says he has discovered that flies cannot stand the scent of dried clover.

—Ladies go to J. H. Carver's and see a line of fine plush jackets.
—The chigger may chig with all his might and the moching bird mock and sing; but the Illinois crops they take the cake, and the corn is now the king. The cricket may crig and the froglet frog and the farmer may sing his strain, for the Illinois crops are always on top, if we didn't get much rain. The chinch bug may chinch and the grasshopper hop, and the hot wind make you tire, but if any one says there are such things here, just call him a horrible liar.—Ex.

D. Watts has received one of the finest and most complete lines of jewelry, watches and clocks ever shown in Meredosia. Call and inspect them.
—The discharge of John Faulds from the Kankakee asylum for the insane, after a confinement of twenty-five years, on the ground that he is not now nor ever was insane, is a circumstance to cause the most superficial reader to pause and ponder. It may well be asked, how many persons of sound minds are incarcerated in these insane asylums? In this instance the superintendent of the institution testified that the man was yet mentally deranged, but the jury with more sense and less science decided that he was of capable mind. The brain sanitariums of the country are no doubt, often the means of working grave injustice by permitting the confinement of persons as insane, who are but the victims of deep conspiracy on the part of cold blooded friends who want to set the victim aside. That a superintendent of the institution testified that the man was yet mentally deranged, but the jury with more sense and less science decided that he was of capable mind. 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The Brooklyn Preacher's Second
Day in the Holy Land.

Rev. T. DeWitt, Talmage delivered the following, the second discourse of his Holy Land series, in the Brooklyn Academy of Music and also in the New York Academy of Music, taking for his text:

As we pass out and on we find about eight hundred acres belonging to the Universal Israelist Alliance, Montefiore, the Israelite centenary and philanthropist and Rothschild, the banker, and others of the more Israelite of the passage to Palestine, for many of the Israelites, and set apart lands for their culture; and it is only a beginning of the fulfillment of Divine prophecy, when these people shall take possession of the Holy Land. The road from Joppa to Jerusalem, and all the roads leading to Nazareth and Galilee, we saw lined with processions of Jews, going to the sacred places, either on holy pilgrimage, or as settlers. All the dangers of Providence nowadays are pointing toward that resumption of Palestine by the Israelites. I do not take the Jews for the Israelites of other lands are to get there. They are too foolish to leave their properties in American cities where they are among our best citizens, and cross two seas to begin life over again in a strange land. But the outrages heaped upon them in Russia, and the insults offered them by Germany, and the quadruple alliance and the procession of armies from Russia to Palestine. Facilities for getting there will be multiplied, not only in the railroad from Joppa to Jerusalem, to which I referred last Sabbath as being built, but perhaps also a road from Damascus to the Bay of Acre has been obtained, and that of course will soon connect Joppa, and make one great ocean-shore railroad. So the railroad from Jerusalem to Joppa to Damascus, will soon bring all the Holy Land within a few hours of connection. Jewish colonization in Russia, England and Russia are gathering momentum, and the restoration of the Israelites to Palestine, and for the purchase for them of lands and farming implements, and so many desire to go that it is decided by lot which families go first. They were God's chosen people, and He has promised to bring them back to the land, and there is no power in one thousand or five thousand years to make God forget his promises. Those who are prospered by other lands will do well to stay where they are. But let the Israelites who are persecuted and attacked and persecuted turn their eyes toward the rising sun of their deliverance. God will gather in that distant land those of that race who have been maltreated, and He will blast with the lightning of His omnipotence those lands on either side of the Atlantic which have been the cause of annoyance and harm to the Jewish race, and to the world. I mentioned David and Joshua, and Abraham Hirsch and Montefiore and Paul the Apostle and Mary the Virgin and Jesus Christ the Lord.

What is that? Town of Ramleh, birthplace, residence and the Tomb of Jesus the glorious prophet. Near by the power of a miracle, because of the number of disciples perished by Christ's sake; but if towers had been built for all those who in the time of war as in the time of peace have been on this road during the ages past a night almost walk on turrets to the city of Jerusalem.

As we roll through the plain of Sharon, we grew the rose after which Christ is named. Rose of Sharon, celebrated in all Christendom and throughout all lands. There has been controversy as to what flower it was. Some say it was a carnation flower that thrives here, and some for the blue iris, and some for the scarlet anemone, for you must know that this plain of Sharon is a rolling plain of color when the spring breezes sweep across it. But leaving the botanical controversy as to what it is, I will tell you the most aromatic and beautiful of them all, and with them I will give you a garland for the "Name" which we have every name.

Wonder, a little to the north as we

them in one group, and the cry all along the line was "Foxes! Look at the foxes!" And at night they sometimes slept until all attempts to sleep are abandoned, why some sleep and some do not. Palestine might have been described as the very foxes that Samson employed for an appalling incendiarism. The wealth of that land was in the harvests, and it was harvest time and the straw was dry. Three hundred men were caught and tied in couples, why some were tied in couples, and the flames can not divide, and the firebrands are fastened to those couples of foxes, and the affrighted creatures are let loose and run every where among the harvests, and in the awful plume down go the corn shocks and the olive trees, and the olives and all through the vineyard, and the vines and among the vines is heard the cry of fire. And in the burnt pathway half hunger and want and desolation.

All this for spite. And some theologians learn one thing, and some another. But I learn from it that a great man may sometimes stoop to a very mean deed, and that if men would use as much ingenuity in trying to bless as they do in trying to destroy, the world all the way down would have been in better condition.

The fire of the foxes killed that which is sapped in Palestine has not gone out, but the sapped trees, and the sly foxes, and the human forces that are running every whither, kindling political fires, are of religious controversy, fierce of hate, world-wide, and whole harvests of righteousness perish. It took the hard work of multitudes on all these plains of Palestine for months to make the vine bear the vine and raise the olive, but it took the work of a hundred worthless foxes one night to blase all those ashes.

Here is the Valley of Ajalon, famous for Joshua's pursuit of the five kings, and the lunar arrest. And in imagination I see the moon in daytime halted, and I see not some time seen the moon in the sky to converse with the sun? But when the king of day, the queen of night, who never before Joshua's conquest, or since then; stopped a moment in their march, halted in Joshua's command, it was a scene, enough to make the universe shiver. "Moon! stand thou still in the valley of Ajalon!" At that moment we will see the sun stand above Gibeon, but we have no way to do with the moon, and it is my memory that it was more of a orb than it is now. It is a world now, a corpse laid out in the heavens, waiting for the judgment day to bury it. It was on the day of which we have spoken was probably a living world, it halted at the wave of Joshua's finger: "stand thou still!" Do not budge an inch, until Joshua finishes those five kings, who are there tumbling over the sword, man slashing them, hallooing, and the pelting them.

And there is the cavern of Makkeidah, where they fled for refuge, where they were afterward looked in, and from which they were taken out to be hanged, and you do well to examine that cavern, for within a few hours it became a place of things with no other cave ever so fortuitous as this.

Now we come to the Brook Euphrates, little David took the smothered bones with which he prostrated Goliath. There is a bridge spanning the ravine, but at the season we crossed, there is not a drop of water in the brook. We walked down into the ravine and looked at the pebbles that had been washed smooth, where the water had been of the waters through all the ages, where David armed himself, walked around and picked up five of these polished pebbles. He got the size of just right size. He took himself for five valleys, for he escapes himself the gulf.

temptible little fellow, and I will make quick work with you." The idea that a five-foot should dare to come out against a ten-footer. Let the two armies looking at each other. "I shall watch me!" David responded: "I come to thee in the name of the Lord of Hosts." Aha, that is the right kind of battle-shout. "In the name of the Lord of Hosts!" that cry rings through the Wady es-Samra. He who fights in that spirit wins the day. The famous Judges' stilt fight enlarges into omnipotent proportions. The moment to strike has come. David takes his sling with a stone in it and whirls it round and round his head, until he has put the weapon into sufficient momentum, and then he throws it. The stone strikes the giant's forehead, and he falls. The giant is thrown up his hands, and he falls. The stone sank into his forehead. That was the only available point of attack. But how about the helmet on his head? Did the stone that David dashed through the helmet? No; says he thinks that when Goliath scoffed through the giant so suddenly and contemptuously jerked up his head that the helmet fell off. That is like enough. David saw the bare forehead, a foot high, and aimed at the center of it, and the skull cracked and broke in like an egg-shell, and the stone struck as the great oak of a military chieftain struck it. Huzah for David!

I never had such high expectations of seeing any place as of seeing Jerusalem. I think my feelings may have been slightly akin to that of the Christian just about to enter the heavenly Jerusalem. My idea of the earthly Jerusalem was a wilderness. I had not seen pictures of it? Oh yes; but they only increase the bewilderment. They were taken from a variety of viewpoints. If twenty artists attempted to sketch Brooklyn, or New York or London, or Jerusalem, they will differ. Their camera at different places, and at different heights, and in a few minutes I shall see the sacred city with my own eyes. Over another shoulder of the hill we go, and nothing in sight but rocks and mountains, and awful gulches between them, which make the head swim if you look down and up, on and up, until the rocks and the gathered and the flocks are the dragon and the horses are reined in and the dragon is slain. "Jerusalem!" was mightier than an electric shock.

We all rose. There it lay, the city of nations, the terminus of famous pilgrimages, the object of famous and crusading wars, and the heart of Assyria, of Persia, and Egypt, and Rome had fought, and the world had fought; the place which the Queen of Sheba visited, and Richard Coeur de Lion had conquered. Home of Solomon. Home of Ezekiel. Home of Jeremiah. Home of Isaiah. Home of Saladin. Home of Zion, where the break and the dawn of the new day began, where the city of the Lord, Mount of Olives, where Jesus preached, and Getsemane, where He was crucified, and Golgotha, where He died, and the Holy Sepulcher, where He was buried. O Jerusalem! Jerusalem! the city of God on earth, and type of the heavenly Jerusalem!

Jerusalem, my happy home,
Name ever dear to me,
When shall my labors have an end,
In joy and peace and thee?

When shall these eyes thy heaven-built
And peery gates behold?
Thy bulwarks with salvation strong,
And thy shining gold?

And so with our hearts full of gratitude to God for journey and for rest, and with bright anticipation of our entrance to the shining gate of the heavenly city when earthly journeys are over, we second day in Palestine is ended.

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as the elbows, start forward, and stick begins to draw down let it go until it points down. Then it is the same rods beyond that point come back across the place. By and by recrossing, the stream can follow any distance.

If the stick begins to draw a long from where it drops straight down water will be deep. If the water is shallow, the stick will show it, and, as usual, cross the stream from side to side, and take the average of what the stick points down. It may vary and if on digging the stream is not take the stick down the well and it show on which side the water is. Then take an auger and bore in earth at that side. The stick will work in my hands, but I can not get it with whom the stick will find and find water. I once ran a stick in a dry time and got a new water to come and find me water. I went to a low place and found two streams crossing each other at almost angles. One stream was about the color and had yellow gravel. The other had dark gray gravel. Each was four feet thick and had an ounce of water. Sometimes a shallow stream will attract the thirty or forty feet, but the stick show it is shallow by not dripping until it gets about to the stream. —Home.

CORN SMUT.

*Some Suggestions for the General
meet of the Affected Grain*

Corn smut is widely distributed throughout our country, and the resulting from its attack varies less than one per cent. to more than half of the crop. The farmers agree in their opinions as to its usefulness when eaten by cattle, but certain that it is not an active agent. The black powder of the smut consists of the spores, which are simple like reproductive bodies. The spores smut much as seeds reproduce ordinary plants. Smut spores may be in manure and liquids in the yard for an indefinite period. Smut enters the corn when it is young, penetrating the soft tissue the lowest joint and root of the plant. Smut does not pass from one plant to the corn-field.

Ordinary applications to the plants will do no good, for the smut is inside, and no application will do it. Great care should be taken to the ground from becoming filled with spores. By a rotation of crops increase of smut may be prevented. Wild animals should not be a hindrance to eat the smut. The field for will distribute the spores in the plings. Care should be taken not to contaminate yard manure with the infected stalks should be removed from the field before the smut balls open, then be carefully destroyed.

Do not use seed which is infected from smut spores. The spores clinging to seed-corn may be removed by immersion in a strong solution of vitriol. In a general way the position may be given as follows, viz: as many pounds of blue vitriol as tens of water. The immersion should last longer than twenty minutes. If the wet corn is placed upon a boards the liquid may be drained and used over again a number of times. —Orange Judd Farmer.

It is possible to transplant even tall grown trees, but it is never be attended, except under unusual circumstances. It is to say one inch in diameter, is as large a tree should be to transplant nearly.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

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An anti-horse thief society has been organized at Plainville.

Blandinsville's school has closed on account of scarlet fever.

White Hall is vigorously prosecuting violators of the liquor law.

The Dallas City Review is receiving sorghum molasses on subscription.

Eugene Robinson's floating palace circus is exhibiting at points along the Mississippi river.

A boy named Willie Busby, whose parents reside on Vermont street between Front and Second, Quincy, is reported missing.

The Prairie City News says that George Center, of near Babylon, raised 800 bushels of potatoes this season on thirteen acres of ground.

In the city of Beardstown only 103 women told the enumerator their ages were thirty-one, while no less than 149 declared that they were just thirty.

A Centralia wife being left alone in the house at night, heard a burglar trying to enter by a rear window. She got an old horse pistol, shut both eyes, blazed away and down went a mule worth \$200.

A little child in Macomb by name of Mulvin, was quite seriously bitten by a dog last week. The animal had pups, the little fellow picked one up when the mother-dog sprang at and bit a severe gash in the boy's cheek.

An attempt was made Monday night to steal a horse belonging to Mrs. Hull living on the bottom road. The horse had been saddled and taken out of the barn when the thief was discovered and fired upon by the hired man. The thief made good his escape.

At Carthage on Thursday, Walter Thompson waived examination and was held in \$2,000 bond to appear for trial in October for filling O. C. Summers with bird shot. Summers was present and presented a pitiful sight. Only one of the 35 shot have been extracted from his body, and he is a mass of sores.

Two drunken men—Sam Magee and Robt. Graham—were driving a blind horse and the whole party went over an embankment, landing in a pile on the railroad track below. This occurred south of Hannibal and the men survived the accident. A train came along and killed the horse. The bank was sixty feet.

While oiling a countershaft at the Fisher foundry in Macomb, Thursday of last week, the ladder on which Wm. Hill was standing, fell, and he threw his arm around the revolving shaft and a stationary set screw three inches long penetrated his side, passing between two ribs and narrowly grazing his lung. The wound is not considered dangerous.

Adam Bentel, who resides about 3 miles north of Coatsburg, met with a severe accident a few days since. When harnessing a pair of mules they ran off and he was thrown against a fence in such a manner that his lip was torn off and a splinter entered his tongue. He also received internal injuries and owing to his age his condition is considered critical.

Wm. Parker, of Jacksonville, was to have been married last Sunday to Miss Ida Fernandes. On Saturday evening he went into a jewelry store to purchase a gold watch for his bride, presenting in payment a check bearing the name of Wm. Nunes, but not bearing the name of the payee. This created suspicion, and on inquiry it was found no such check had been given. Parker was arrested and on his person were found a file, a slingshot and a license to marry. His reputation has always been good.

Some boys were playing ball on the railroad track at the depot Friday evening and among the number was Geo. Clegg. He was striking at the ball, but in doing so stumbled over the iron rail and fell, striking his head against the edge of the platform with a thud. The key fell senseless between the platform and the track, and it took prompt action of his playmates to get him away before the train reached the point. It was probably five minutes before he became conscious and it was feared he was fatally hurt, but he revived enough to be taken home. He still feels the effect of the accident. Barry Adage.

Abington had a fire on the 17th inst., which destroyed four business houses and the opera house. The loss is over \$12,000 with no insurance. It is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary.

There was a shooting affray near El Dara last Sunday. The parties to the affair were Dick Johnson and a stranger. Johnson it seems had given up a farm and was moving to another place and the other party had moved to the place vacated. Before Johnson got all his stock away he found the gates had been left open and to prevent any of the stock escaping he requested that the gates be kept shut. The next day when he made the final trip for his property he found the stranger was drunk and he and a companion assaulted Johnson with clubs. Johnson retaliated by drawing the revolver and shooting one of the men in the calf of his leg. He then had him arrested for the assault and hopes to convict him. Barry Adage.

Murder's Triumph.

The report of "Detective No. 8," of Matt. Pinkerton's detective force of Chicago, was Thursday of last week given in full to the public through the medium of the Macomb Eagle. It is a lengthy document consisting of reports made by the detective in his different trips to localities where clues were to be obtained. He went over the ground carefully, taking the route that was pursued by Ella Cordell on May 17, last, following her from industry to Macomb, from Macomb to Golden, where the girl attracted attention by discharging a revolver in the depot waiting room; from thence to Keokuk where she ate dinner at the Keokuk hotel and then disappeared until the bloated and butchered corpse was taken from the river near Canton, Mo., some days later. The report throws grave suspicion on one or two parties, but no evidence has so far been obtained which can cause the arrest of any one. The fund subscribed towards prosecuting the search has been exhausted. In this case will murder ever out?

Religious Superstition.

Charles E. Adams, agent of the Kiowa and Comanche Indians in Oklahoma Territory, has submitted to the department his first annual report. This agency is located in the extreme southern part of the new Territory of Oklahoma, and includes the reservations of nine tribes. The census just taken shows the following population: Kiowas, 1,140; Comanches, 1,598; Apaches, 328; Wichitas, 174; Caddoes, 538; Towawones, 150; Keeches, 166; Wacos, 34; Delawares, 95. During the year there have been 186 deaths and 222 births. Many of the Indians are engaged in agriculture, but the drought of this year has injured the crops and interfered with farm work. Of the 3,712,502 acres within the agency, only 4,445 are under cultivation and 13,835 under fence. The Indians own 10,302 horses, 203 mules, 19,983 cattle and 911 hogs.

The idea of religion among these tribes, says Agent Adams, though vague and crude, are clung to tenaciously, and among the less intelligent the medicine men have still the greatest influence. It is said that at certain times in the year the Comanches go far up in the canyons of the Wichita mountains to worship, and intruders within these sacred limits must take a risk of life and limb, and expect to be treated with summary vengeance. The Kiowas are said to worship in camp certain rough images of wood, and present as propitiatory offerings strips of calico and beads. All of these tribes are very superstitious, and in sickness they still prefer the services of their own medicine men. Passing from camp to camp, says the agent, you will notice near each tepee some mysterious articles raised upon poles not far from the opening of the tent door. These are supposed to bring good luck and to keep sickness and evil from the dwellers therein. In cases of sickness recourse is constantly had to the medicine men, who for a certain number of ponies, agree to recover the patient. His methods are cutting the limbs and rattling the medicine round. For long hours before the death of a patient the tepee is filled with relatives and friends of the family, wailing and beating their breasts, the immediate family only waiting for dissolution to cut the hair and lacerate the limbs, sometimes cutting off a finger. Immediately after the death the household goods are given away to those friends who have joined in the mourning. Blankets, cooking apparatus, etc., are quickly carried away to other camps, and the tepees in which the death occurred is burned, and the family of the deceased is left in a destitute condition.

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Benj. Franklin, who died one hundred years ago, left by will to the city of Philadelphia one thousand pounds and a like sum to Boston, his native town, but as Boston was not a city at that time he left it to be controlled by the selectmen and the pastors of the oldest churches. The will provided that the money be loaned to poor apprentices under twenty-one years of age, who should give good security and pay five per cent. interest per annum for the use of the money, and to pay the interest and a small part of the principal annually. It is now claimed that young men are no longer indentured and graduated as artisans as they were in Franklin's day, while they only learn a part of the trade. It appears that the Philadelphia fund now amounts to \$100,000 and the Boston fund amounts to \$300,000, the Bostonians being the better financiers. Now one Bache, the great grandson of Franklin, and who represents many heirs has commenced suit to recover the funds will. To the two cities, in which many reasons are set forth. The principal one being because an accumulation is directed for a longer period than is allowed by the common law of the state, because the use of the funds after the first hundred years is not a charitable use and one not allowed by law.

Franklin was wise above his compensation but his calculations have not been realized. He said that if this plan is executed, and succeeds as projected for one hundred years the sum will then be thirty-one hundred and thirty-one thousand pounds, then he would have Boston lay out one hundred thousand pounds in public works and the thirty one thousand pounds go on as had been provided for the one hundred pounds for another hundred years, at which time he calculated that it would amount to four millions and sixty one thousand pounds sterling, of which, he says, I leave one million and sixty one thousand pounds to the disposition of the inhabitants of Boston, and three millions to the government of the state, at which time he carries his views no further.

The same disposition of his funds are made applicable to the city of Philadelphia as is provided for Boston, neither city has met his anticipations in the accumulations and the result in the next hundred years is still more doubtful, but at the same time Franklin can not be held responsible for the acting and doings of his heirs.

Poisoned By Sardines. NEVADA, Mo., Oct. 13.--A curious and nearly fatal case of poisoning happened in the family of Jesse Harrison, near Harwood, in this county, Saturday. One of the children got hold of a can of sardines a few days ago, and in trying to open it struck a hole in it. The can was taken from the child and put away. Saturday when the children came home from school the can was produced and given to them. Soon after eating the sardines the children became violently ill. A physician was called and administered antidotes, and the little fellows were reported out of danger yesterday.

Greely's Telegraph Line. There is a good story told on Gen. Greely, the chief of the signal service. A number of years ago "Old Probabilities," then a lieutenant in the Fifth cavalry, was stationed in Texas. While there he was ordered to build 150 miles of telegraph line. Greely decided to purchase a new kind of insulator, a sort of sheet iron, cone shaped affair. The line was completed, and for a couple of weeks everything worked well and the lieutenant was congratulating himself on the success of his work. All at once the line would not work at all. A couple of line repairers started out to find the cause. The first pole they tackled was their last, for a swarm of hornets emerged from that insulator prepared to resist all comers. As the swarm settled about the two men they ran, and as they ran the swarm increased and followed them nearly to the fort. The line was rebuilt, but the ordinary glass insulators were used. To this day those hornets have never forgiven the general. --Kansas City Times.

From Naples. Misses Kate and Allie Abrams spent Sunday in Griggsville. Go to J. Linkins & Co. for yarns, knitting worsted and saxony. A new firm is soon to take hold of the saw mill here and run it. Mrs. Marsh, not Miss Marsh, as you got it last week, is improving. Five or six families have moved into Naples lately. We are going to have a boom. Miss Nina Lee scalded her foot quite severely last week. She is able to get out again wearing a soft shoe. The stone arch bridge across the "cut ditch" south of town is completed and is a very substantial structure. "Our Own" brand of cotton shawls is the best. You'll get your money's worth by buying them of J. Linkins & Co.

Jno. McKean and Mrs. Bowen, son and daughter of Jas. McLean, spent Sunday with their father, who is still very sick. C. A. Linkins and wife left Monday, via Chapin, for St. Louis. C. A. to attend to business, his wife to visit friends.

Chas. Quintal had his ankle badly sprained by the fall of a horse which he was riding. He is getting about with the help of a cane. Boots and shoes are advancing in price. Our stock bought before the advance is complete and prices the lowest. J. LINKINS & CO.

A lot of western ponies came to our place last week and quite a number were sold. Miss Beulah Abrams has one and enjoys riding it. Dr. Higgins' sale came off last Saturday and was a success, especially the dinner. Charley Taylor and Jno. Ritter can testify to the latter statement.

The junior partner of the firm of J. Linkins & Co. is in St. Louis this week and you may look for a choice stock of dry goods to be opened up by Saturday. We have been told that Sam Mc. wants to join the hand organ class to take lessons on that instrument. It is said that the class recites in "Monkey Heaven."

Judge Warren with his wife and daughter came over from Winchester a week ago Sunday and spent Sunday and Monday visiting Prof. Higgins' family and other friends.

Our precinct now has three candidates, viz. Jas. Ward, prohibition, for county Superintendent and Henry Higgins representative for county Superintendent.

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A Pike County Woman's Presence of Mind. Tuesday last as Mrs. Lucy Halpin was busy with her household duties, her neighbor, Mrs. Eva Spriggs, with her little boy, Ralph, aged 18 months, came into the kitchen. Mrs. Halpin opened the door which is on a level with the floor, and while the attention of both was momentarily attracted to something in the room, little Ralph walked directly into the opening. Both saw him disappear. With rare presence of mind Mrs. Halpin told Mrs. Spriggs to run for a ladder, while she at once lowered herself into the cistern, and holding herself by her hands an instant, dropped into the water which reached her waist, and lifted the unconscious form of the drowning child, holding him high above her head, where it was reached by the mother and lifted out and laid upon the floor. The ladder was then lowered and Mrs. Halpin assisted out, where dripping and chilled, she assisted with rare judgment to revive the child. We are glad to learn that the little fellow suffered no detriment from his involuntary bath. Mrs. Halpin's heroic act will not only insure her the gratitude of the parents and friends of little Ralph, but of every one who can appreciate a noble act. --Pittsfield Old Flag.

Alexander McLean, of Carthage, is one of the two men in the state that have received the 33rd, or highest degree, in Masonry.

From Versailles. Hon. Scott Wike will speak in this place Oct. 22. Mrs. Lizzie Rigg departed for her home in Kentucky Friday evening. Miss Laura McCoy, of Palmyra Ill., is visiting her cousin Miss Lell McCoy. Mrs. Julia Burke, of Plainfield, Kan. is visiting the family of Brook Wright.

Mr. Staley and wife, of Chicago, are the guests Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Wilson. Al Cleveland, of Greenview, Ill., was the guest of his brother, "Dick," last week.

Charlie Stinson, of THE MEREDOSIA News spent Saturday and Sunday with home folks.

Miss Lell McCoy returned from a three weeks visit in Macoupin county Saturday evening.

Bert and Ed Curran, of Chaddock College Quincy, were at home Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Anna Flattery, who is teaching school at Ripley, was at home on Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Dora Vandewater, who is attending school in Jacksonville, spent Sunday with her mother.

The Sugar Grove dramatic club played "The Yankee Detective," Saturday night at Reid's Hall.

Mrs. Mollie Price was called home by a telegram announcing the sickness of her husband at Peoria last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Clark moved to Rushville this week where Ed will engage in the sewing machine business. Mr. and Mrs. Will Glaze spent Wednesday and Thursday with their daughter, Mrs. Will Patterson at Md. Stanton.

Cal Clark is the proudest man in town since that ten pound boy came to make his home with him last Saturday, Oct. 11.

Mr. T. J. Rowland and daughters, Love and Bessie and Mrs. B. L. Rowland attended the funeral of an aunt in Jacksonville, Monday.

Mr. J. C. Heflin, who is in partnership with M. V. Martin in the butcher shop, will move to town and live in J. R. Reid's house.

Mr. J. A. Shriver and daughter Minnie returned to their home in Ohio Saturday morning. Mrs. Shriver will remain for two weeks with her father, Mr. Jethro Vandewater.

The Farmers' Alliance picnic was a complete success and a surprise to every one on account of the crowd, which was in attendance. There was a large delegation from Cooperstown and Schuyler county, headed by the Sugar Grove Band and the Mr. Sterling band, was also in attendance. The speaking was said to be splendid by those who heard it. The farmers may well feel proud of their first Alliance picnic.

Tra N. Allen, who was stricken with paralysis on Sunday evening, Oct. 5, died Thursday night having never regained consciousness or spoken until his death. He was a good and kind old man and well known in this place. His sons Frank and Thomas, from Kellerville and William, from Rushville, came and waited on him during his sickness. He was 77 years of age. The funeral services were held at the home of James Fields, conducted by Rev. Miles and the burial was at the cemetery in town.

A most distressing tragedy occurred at the Virginia State Military Institute last week in which Warren Talliferro, a lad of 15 years lost his life as the result of a fistful encounter with cadet Frank McConchie, aged 20. Shortly before one o'clock the two boys engaged in a dispute in the attempt of one to push ahead of the other in entering the commandant's office. There had been former ill-feeling between them, and the dispute became a warm one, and friends suggested that the matter be settled by a prize fight. This was agreed to, and the combatants stripped to the waist and went at it in the Sullivan-Kilrain style. The younger of the two was punished severely from the start, but he stood it for thirteen rounds, when he threw up the sponge and repaired to his room. He expired about two hours later.

Announcement.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Representative for Morgan and Macoupin counties, to represent the Farmers and Industrial classes of the 3rd Senatorial district, at the election of November 4th, 1891.

ALEXANDER PLATT.

Who was it said that the Chicago folks would ask the next congress to change the date of the World's Fair to 1902?

SENATOR INGALLS advises every man to be a partisan politician. He might have put it in less space by saying: "Be like me."

THERE'S no politics in one cent letter postage. Probably that's the reason Congress adjourned without giving it to the people.

BOKEVILLE, Maine, has a woman who has been out shopping but once in twelve years. In this regard she seems to be an abnormal being.

THE Congressman who didn't get re-nominated is in no hurry about showing up at home, nor is he losing any sleep studying up schemes to elect the fellow that got the nomination.

THERE is a movement in New York to compel all would-be orators to remove their mustaches before speaking in public. We know some that would be improved by the removal of their tongues.

THE Rev. Dr. Talmage believes that people now living will be able to make a trip from the United States to Jerusalem without crossing the ocean. He referred to the proposed railroad which is to cross Behring Straits on a bridge thirty miles long.

Those editors who wish the United States to give the insignificant little Central American republic Guatemala a shaking up on account of the killing of Gen. Barrundia on a vessel carrying our flag would cheer an elephant into making an assault upon a mouse. The United States is too great a country to play the "bully" with its small neighbors.

NICKEL plated armour for fighting vessels is the latest, and Uncle Sam has secured what purports to be a corner on the world's supply of nickel. The cost of a modern fighting ship—they call 'em fighting ships, but it had been some time since any of them did anything more war-like than firing an expensive salute to some big-headed official—seems large enough to a landsman to pay for gold-plated armour.

IN spite of the many wrangles, some of which were disgraceful, the first session of the Fifty-first Congress accomplished a great deal; that is to say it passed a large number of more or less important bills. It is too soon to determine whether the country will gain or lose by the new laws. Some of them have already proved highly beneficial, and it is only fair to wait until the contrary is proved by others before condemning them. It is one thing to oppose a measure when it is pending before Congress, but quite another to do so after it becomes the law of the land.

Does the majority of the House of Representatives prefer to legislate ignorantly or upon information furnished exclusively by interested parties? The action of the conferees on striking out the amendment to the tariff bill, offered by Senator Plumb and adopted by the Senate providing for the creation of a permanent Tariff Commission, makes it look that way. No person who has ever given the important and complicated question affected by the tariff a careful and unprejudiced study can for a moment doubt that such a commission is needed. It would place at the disposal of Congress authentic information as to the cost of labor, raw materials and manufactured articles at home and abroad, which it can never get in any other way; and besides that, its creation would be taking the first step towards the removal of the tariff from the arena of partisan politics. The last reason makes the professional politician opposed to it.

About Advertising.

Nothing is gained by crowding an advertisement, and much may be lost. The reader will turn away from a long list of goods, having noted nothing; whereas a description of one article might, inspire of himself even have remained with him. The person you send your advertisement to is very much like the invalid whose appetite is destroyed by a display of dishes, but tempted by one nicely served dainty. There are times, of course, when a list of prices on many goods may be introduced in an advertisement. But, in ordinary, to go over a list of articles and claim for each that it is the best and cheapest is to weaken any effect the advertisement might otherwise have had. Try the other way. Seize on some one line or article and present it. Praise it modestly, but strongly. Puff it delicately and decently. Display it prominently. Call attention to it persistently. Pursue this course and you will find that in a short time you will have a demand for the article you have pushed. This same specialization, pursued along the most available lines, will be found to be the very best way of building up a business. It is, in effect, the method which has been successfully practiced by those merchants whose names have become synonyms for commercial shrewdness and sagacity. Such a method popularizes the store, keeps the merchant's name before the public, and effects the first introduction between buyer and seller which makes a continued acquaintance at least a possibility.—American Advertiser.

Horse Thieves Captured.

As Messrs. McCoy and Boren, horse buyers from Clayton, were nearing Camp Point, last Saturday morning, they overtook two seedy looking young men riding rather fine looking horses and good saddles. McCoy asked them if the horses were for sale. They replied they were. The usual questions respecting the ages and other qualities of the horses were asked. The replies were so unsatisfactory that suspicion was at once aroused and the two young men were detained, and Constable Fred Morley took possession of the horses and locked the young men up in the calaboose. The older one gave the name of Henry Miller and said his father lived in Quincy. The younger one gave the name of George Elless and said he lived two and a half miles south of Victoria, in Cass county this state. In the afternoon McCoy and Boren called to see the young men in the calaboose and the younger man confessed they had stolen the horses. Fred Morley then swore out a warrant before Justice Bailey, and the two young men had a hearing Saturday night, when the older one gave the name of Henry Moore and said his father lived in Quincy. The younger one gave the name of George Lane, of Bath, Mason county. They said the horses belonged to one Tuck Shaw, who lived near Bath, that the horses were running on the Illinois river bottom, about two and a half miles south of Bath, where they took them, that they borrowed the saddles from unknown parties. Being unable to furnish bond in the sum of \$1,000 each they were sent to jail, and Constable Fred Morley has possession of the horses, waiting for the owner to make his appearance and prove property. Evidently the young men were out of their elegant riding good horses without money. They did not know how to carry themselves, otherwise they could have rode a long distance before the horses would have been missed by the owner as they showed no signs of having been worked.—Camp Point Journal.

—James Powell has returned from Perry, Mo., and gives us the following particulars of the shooting of his brother, Jacob Powell: A man by the name of Jesse Baskett owed Powell some money for work. Powell went to Baskett's house to settle with him. As Powell was leaving he remarked that he had waited long enough for his money, and unless Baskett paid him at once, he would sue him. Powell then started away without anticipating any trouble. Baskett ran into the house and got a double-barreled shotgun and, coming out on the porch, fired at Powell, the charge striking him in the shoulder, arm and back of the head; and as Powell turned around fired the second barrel, the charge striking him in the face and the other side of his head. Three shot struck him in the eye, putting it out. Over three hundred shot took effect in his head. His injuries are serious, but not necessarily fatal. Baskett fled and has not yet been captured. Powell was unarmed and was walking away when shot. The shooting was witnessed by Baskett's wife and father.—Baylor Guide.

It Looks Like Horse Stealing.

A Mr. McMeins of Crackers Bend accompanied by Wm. Haley, were in town Thursday evening and by all accounts did not have a very pleasant visit. McMeins was in this community and got a wagon load of water-melons and stopped in the village about 9 or 10 o'clock, and both men were pretty well under the influence of liquor. Haley seemed to have difficulty in finding a lodging place for the night, so Marshall Davis kindly assisted him to the "cooler." He was fined \$1 and costs, amounting to \$3.25. McMeins, when ready to leave town somehow he made a very rank mistake and instead of taking his own team and melons, took the team and spring wagon belonging to Marshall Smith, driving out of town on the North Prairie road. The team became frightened and ran away, throwing him out. When the outfit was found only a short distance from town, the horses were down and unable to get away, and the man was gone.

At last report McMeins has not turned up, but his brother was here to settle the affair—that is the broken rig and injured horses, the damages amounting to \$10. This, however, does not relieve him from being taken up on the charge of horse stealing, although it does not seem possible that that was his intention. Nevertheless his present predicament is not a desirable one.—Arenville Argus.

—Wm. Nunn and Charlie Winningham, have been visiting with the families of Messrs. Nunn & Winningham, the north side barbers, for several days. Will and Charlie reside in Meredosia, and thinking it would be fine sport, they drove across the country to Colchester. Not being able to make the trip in a day they were compelled to stay overnight. They stopped at a boarding house and inquired if they could obtain lodging. The landlord said, y-e-s. They ate their supper and when the hour of nine arrived they concluded they would attempt to sleep, but long before they fell asleep the rats began to invade the room and not until quite a late hour could they get them quiet enough to fall into a peaceful slumber. After they had fallen asleep, one of them was aroused and after listening to the hard breathing of his companion for a while, noticed that very suddenly he quit breathing, and on investigation found that he was holding his breath listening to the workings of the rats. He inquired of him as to the cause for the attention he was paying to the peace disturbers. His companion said, "The rats are about to carry off your shoes." The answer came, "If they can find a hole in the room large enough to carry my shoes through, they are welcome to them." The shoes were left in the room. They boys left for their home early Tuesday morning, intending to make the trip in one day. Boys come again.—Colchester Democrat.

Communicated.

—Mr. Editor: There a number of teachers in and around Meredosia. Why not have a column devoted to educational matters with Prof. Decker as the editor? I should like to hear from others on the subject.

A TEACHER.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Estate of George Burrus, Deceased.
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, administrator of the estate of George W. Burrus, deceased, and of said estate, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Morgan County at the Court House in Jacksonville on the first Monday of November, A. D. 1890, being the third day thereof, for the purpose of making final settlement of said estate. At which time and place I will ask for an order of distribution, and will also ask to be discharged. All persons interested are notified to attend.
JACKSONVILLE, ILL., Oct. 6, 1890.
GEO. W. GRAHAM, Admr.

Executor's Notice.

Estate of John Winters, deceased.
The undersigned, having been appointed executor of the last will and testament of John Winters, late of the county of Morgan, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Morgan County at the Court House in Jacksonville, at the December term A. D. 1890, of said court, on the first Monday in December next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned. Dated this first day of October, A. D. 1890.
JOSEPH SCHULTZ, Executor.

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—Oats, 35c.
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—Meal, 80c.
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—Flour, \$1.40.
—Butter, 15c.
—Bran, 70c. cwt.
—Coarse Meal, 60c.
—Shipstuffs, 90c. cwt.
—Hogs, \$3.75 to \$4.00.
—Potatoes, \$1. to \$1.20.
—Sweet Potatoes, \$1.00.
—Mixed Feed, 75c. cwt.
—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
—Henry Yeck was in Jacksonville last week.
—Dr. Nevill spent several days in Chicago, last week.
—Jas. Anderson took a trip to Kansas City last week.
—Mrs. Stafford Smith visited at Griggsville last week.
—Mr. Peoples, of Chambersburg, was on our streets Saturday.
—John Burris and Miss Callie Moore spent Sunday in Naples.
—Lee Grundy, of Naples, spent a few hours here last week.
—Ed Geiss and wife were in Jacksonville last week one day.
—Bill Pine, of Oxville, was here on business one day last week.
—Henry Rolf, of Naples, was here on business one day last week.
—Al Geiss, of Mt. Sterling, visited with his parents on Thursday.
—C. E. Dickinson, of Quincy, was interviewing our merchants Friday.
—Curt Unger, of Naples, was a business visitor to this place Saturday.
—Miss Susie Wilson is spending a few weeks with her parents in this place.
—Go to J. H. Carver's for a fine suit of clothes.
—An oyster party was given at the residence of John Turner on last Tuesday evening.
—Go to J. H. Carver's for great bargains.

—Misses Effie and May Blazendale, of Quincy, are visiting with their aunt, Grandma Ripley.
—I am now prepared to repair watches and jewelry. N. HARRIS.
—Misses Lizzie Watts and Josie Dresser, of Naples, visited friends in this place last week.
—Four pounds best rio roast coffee for \$1. at the cash store of M. E. Geiss.
—George Jackson, of Griggsville, visited his grandmother, Mrs. Stafford Smith, Saturday and Sunday.
—See my line of ladies plush cloaks and save money. J. H. CARVER.
—Mrs. Maggie Black, accompanied by her sisters, who have been visiting her, went to Naples Monday.
—Go to J. H. Carver's for your notions and dry goods.
—J. C. Lewis and family, of Bluffs, accompanied by Dr. Ray and family, took in the Locks Sunday on a fishing excursion.

—D. Watts is the place to buy your watches, clocks, jewelry and specialties.
—Wm. Whalen and mother, Charlie Burrus and daughters and Judge Dresser, of Naples, were trading here Saturday.
—J. H. Carver has just received an immense stock of fall and winter goods. Call and see them.
—James Hogan, Washburn road master, J. C. Palmer, train master, J. C. Lewis, Capt. Oaks and Chas. Morris were fishing near this place last Saturday.

—Ladies go to J. H. Carver's and see a line of fine plush jackets.
—The man who invented the pigs in the clover puzzle is in an insane asylum. Retribution was a long time coming but better late than never.
—All linen collars 10 cents.

J. H. CARVER.
—We received a copy of THE MEREDOSIA News this week. It is a new, but very newsy paper and is well patronized by the citizens of Morgan Co. Success to you, boys.—Colchester Democrat.

D. Watts has received one of the finest and most complete lines of jewelry, watches and clocks ever shown in Meredosia. Call and inspect them.

—Miss Lollie Hauser visited with Naples relatives last week.
—Go to J. H. Carver for a fine hat.
—Joe Hauser has gone to the Locks to take charge of a pile driver.
—The band has revived upon gives evening concerts in their hall occasionally.
—Dry goods in all styles at J. H. Carver's.

—Mrs. Barfield, of Naples, was in this place last week and made THE NEWS a call.
—Go to J. H. Carver's for all wool blankets.

—Fred Vandeventer, of Versailles, was in town Tuesday and made THE NEWS a call.
—White shirts at fifty cents.

J. H. CARVER.
—Mrs. N. E. Berry, of Naples, was in this place Saturday and gave THE NEWS office a call.
—Special sale on blankets this week.

J. H. CARVER.
—The Hebe, the government boat now headquartered at the Locks, came down one day last week.
—For gents' underwear go to the cash store of M. E. Geiss.

—There is a movement on foot to organize an orchestra in Meredosia. It will soon be in working order.
—Boys suits at \$1.00—new goods at that—at J. H. CARVER'S.

—Miss Allie Hyatt, of Naples, visited in this place several days last week, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Lawson.
—All-wool red flannels at 20c per yard. J. H. CARVER.

—What has become of all the candidates? Guess they think they have got things pretty well fixed down this way.
—J. H. Carver wants all the people to call and see his fine stock of goods.

—Ed Irving and the Misses Irving, of Chambersburg, accompanied by W. C. Jenkins, of Missouri, were here on Saturday.
—Ladies, you will find it to your interest to see my large stock of millinery, one door south of Keener & Pike's office. MAUD M. JACQUES.

—Rev. Wolf left his regular appointment at the M. E. church last Sunday morning and evening. He made THE NEWS a pleasant call Monday morning.
—Go to Bickers, Versailles, for harness, saddles, whips, etc. He has no parlors, but he has the harness all the same, and they will be sold at rock-bottom prices.

—We call the attention of our readers to the announcement of Alexander Platt, candidate for representative for Morgan and Macoupin counties, in this week's issue. Mr. Platt is an excellent man for the office and if elected will serve the people with credit to himself and the public. Give him your consideration as he is worthy of it.

—When you want to buy a first-class stock farm call on us and get our prices, as we have a fine one, in fact as fine a one as can be found in this part of the state, which we will sell at a very low figure. It is well improved and has everything handy. It is a bonanza for some one. Don't wait too long as some one may get ahead of you. Read our notice in this issue.

Ladies! It will be to your interest to see my large line of dress goods, samples before buying elsewhere, as I can save you from twenty to twenty-five per cent. At the cash store of M. E. Geiss.

—Conductor Sim Averitt, of the local, has been visiting relatives and friends in Kansas City the past two weeks. Al Brady has been conductor of the local during Mr. Averitt's absence. Conductor Brady is a young man of ability and good habits, and can run a train to the queen's taste. He will no doubt get a train permanently in the near future.—Baylor Guide.

—L. Hirschelmer, of the tobacco and cigar firm of Hirschelmer & Bros., Pittsfield, was in town Monday calling on our merchants in the interest of his firm. Hirschelmer's Dan McGinty cigars are the best in the market. Their cigars are known everywhere. Louie is one of Pittsfield's most popular young men and is a square all round fellow. While here he called on THE NEWS.

—The first number of the Meredosia, Ill., News, has reached our table. It is a 5-column quarto, well set up and printed, and contains a goodly number of home advertisements, together with a large amount of local news and other miscellaneous matter. Messrs. Hedenberg & Stinson are editors and proprietors. We predict success for THE NEWS on the ground that it richly merits it.—Printers' Album, Chicago.

—D. Watts spent Sunday in Naples.
—Mrs. Weathers, of Augusta, is here on a visit to friends.

—Obe Summy, of Brown county, was trading here Tuesday.
—Mrs. Albert Brady, of Hannibal, is visiting her mother this week.

—William Freeman is attending the soldiers' re-union at Springfield.
—Tom Burrus and wife, of Naples, were visitors in this place one day last week.

—Mesdames William Hauser and W. T. Hedenberg visited in Naples Friday.

—Joel Turnham and wife left Tuesday evening for a visit with friends in Kansas.

—Minor Hale lost a watch charm in Geiss' saloon, which he wishes the finder to return.

—Geo. Christian and his family, accompanied by Mrs. Christian, of Beardstown, visited at Bluffs Springs last week.

—The first quarterly meeting of the M. E. church this conference year will be held at Naples three weeks from next Sunday.

—Mrs. Harp and grandson, Clyde McClintock, Mr. Montague, wife and daughter, Judge Dresser and John Bartlett, of Naples, were visiting relatives and friends here Tuesday.

—F. A. Keener and wife and daughter, who have been traveling in Europe part of this summer returned to our city Tuesday and will spend a few days with his son, Capt. Keener.

—Mr. and Mrs. B. Mayes, of Naples, were in this place Tuesday, and while here called at our office and had THE NEWS sent to their daughter in Kansas and one to their own address. They say they can't keep house without a Meredosia paper. Sensible people.

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—An editor who has been pounding away on his delinquent subscribers for some time finally brought them to their sense of duty with the following poetical parody:—"Lives of great men oft remind us honest toil don't stand a chance, more we work we leave behind us bigger patches on our pants. On our pants once new and glossy now are patches of different hue; all because subscribers linger and won't pay what is due. Then let us all be up and doing; send in your mite be it're so small, or when the snows of winter strike us we shall have no pants at all."

—Printer's Album.

—The annual reunion of the First Brigade, Second Division Fourteenth army corps will be held in Springfield next week. The headquarters of the local committee will be at the Leland hotel where all comrades are requested to report as soon as arrival in the city. All the state officers have been invited and are expected to be present. Gov. Fifer has promised to address the boys if he is in the city. The local committee are making arrangements for a grand camp fire on the evening of Oct. 15. Gens. W. S. Rosencrans, Jno. Pope and J. D. Morgan are expected to be present and address the comrades; also Col. R. F. Smith, William Anderson, Lums and Telford.

—A lady of Warsaw advertised in the papers that she was willing to accept proposals of marriage, and giving a description of herself, she also enumerated the qualifications required in her suitor. Among these qualifications she mentioned that he must be an owner of real estate. She received many letters in reply, but one of them was strikingly original. The writer said that he possessed all that which the lady required in her future husband. He was good looking, he held a responsible position, he had many friends, was received in good society and could support a family comfortably. As to real estate, he had that, too; he was the owner of a plot of ground in the cemetery which was large enough to accommodate him, a wife and six children. The lady selected the writer of this letter from the whole number of suitors. She opined that a young man of his position who had thought of acquiring graves for himself and a large family before he was married was surely worthy the endowment of her hand and heart.

The Meredosia News.

NOTICE.—The Publishers of this paper hold themselves responsible for any views that may be advanced by correspondents. To insure insertion communications must reach us not later than Tuesday noon. Correspondence solicited.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

Payson will have a public well. Bushnell wants a flouring mill. Quincy has 142 licensed saloons. Colchester is experiencing a water famine.

There will be a shooting tournament at Winchester, Oct. 15 and 16.

The people of Perry are talking up a building and loan association.

Bluffs has organized a Lawn Valley fair, association to be held at that place.

It is reported that grasshoppers are destroying the wheat, etc., in McLean county.

Thos. Nevin fatally shot S. B. Curry at Maraisia on Wednesday last. He escaped.

Two new brick business blocks are to be erected in Bushnell in the near future.

At the La Harpe fair there were apples on exhibition two years old, in good shape.

We notice by the Independent Press that the junior of the Baylis Guide has a Job's comforter on his nose.

John McCarty, of Cario, was burned by turning a kettle of boiling tar on himself so that he cannot recover.

A man by the name of J. D. Helme died at Quincy recently from the effects of paring a corn and using some kind of salve.

A dry goods merchant in Mattoon, spends \$1,500 annual newspaper advertising. His name is a household word in Coles and adjoining counties and he does a tremendous business.

The postoffice at Colchester has been elevated into the class of presidential offices, and the postmaster will hereafter be appointed by the president instead of the postmaster-general.

It is reported that George Nicol, Barry's sixteen year old base ball pitcher, has signed with the St. Louis Browns and is to receive \$25 a week for the balance of the season, and \$1500 next year.

John Buchen, of Canton, is the father of fourteen children of whom all are living and stay with their parents and all sit down at the same table. There are twelve boys and two girls in this remarkable family.

A Randolph boy assailed his teacher one day last week with a piece of wood for which he received due attention. It's a very good idea for boys to know their place and keep it, as teachers are supposed to know best.

The colored people of Pike county, Mo., are going to hold a fair at the Louisiana fair grounds, commencing on the 10th of October and continuing for three days. The entries of stock will be confined to colored exhibitors.

A Canton boy recently swallowed two quarters, a dime and a nickel. His parents made him swallow a check for sixty-five cents, but this did not bring the deposit so they will probably charter him under the state banking law.

The Astoria Argus says: "George Bryant, who resides near Butlerville, brought a horned owl to town yesterday, that measured four feet and four inches from tip to tip. It was a monster and he killed it while it was trying to catch a chicken."

George Agnew, of Colchester, got on a C. B. & Q. train without a ticket, to go to Macomb. Conductor Dudley demanded the extra ten cents, which Agnew refused to pay, whereupon Dudley put him off. He has been suit against the road for damages.

Two young men in Moberly, Mo., went to a fortune teller to learn what their fate would be if they proposed. Their sweethearts learned of it and refused to have anything more to do with men who had not nerve enough to go to headquarters for information.

Saturday night the people living near the residence of W. L. Consene of Colchester were aroused by cries and groans evidently proceeding from the house. A crowd soon gathered and broke into the house. There they met a horrible sight. The fiendish husband had his wife, a bride of six weeks, suspended by her ears, the blood running down both sides of her face. Great patches of the young wife's hair which had been pulled out by the roots, were strewn on the floor. Consene had to flee for his life as the lights started to lynch him. Sun-

day morning he surrendered to the officers and was taken to Macomb and jailed.

James Edwards, of Camden township, has a squash vine that has fifty-five squashes on it averaging five pounds each. It grew from a seed found with some watermelon seeds he received from the east.—Rushville Times.

Wm. Stark, aged 24 years, son of Joseph Stark of Louisiana, Mo., was killed in that place one day last week. He had got on a friend's wagon to ride home and as the two were going up the street a runaway team was seen coming from the opposite direction, Stark jumping off and either attempted to stop the team or cross to the other side of the street when he was run over and literally torn to pieces.

Frank Putman, while digging a ditch or trench, for the purpose of slackening lime, about two hundred yds. south of the Gibbards school house, on Thursday last, unearthed a human skeleton, the bones of which, save the lower jaw were much decayed. At the hip bones, and about where a man's pants pocket would rest he picked up a neatly wrought plumb-bob.

Industry is again infested by "white-caps." They are sending anonymous warnings to citizens who have their property insured in the Industry Mutual Fire and Lightning Insurance Co., a local mutual organization, threatening that unless the secretary of the company is summarily bounced the property of the policy-holders will be burned. The secretary is T. Z. Creel, whose name has been so unpleasantly connected with the Ella Cordell sensation.

Wm. Stauffer, a young farmer living six miles east of Bloomington, was shot Thursday night by George Bertram, and will die. Thursday night there was a dance at Bertram's and young Stauffer and James Porter attended the party as uninvited guests. They were informed by Bertram that their presence was not desired, and they were ordered to depart. They insisted on remaining and participating in the festivities. Bertram became exasperated, and getting his revolver made his order emphatic. Porter fled, but Stauffer hesitated and Bertram shot him. The bullet cut through the chin and lodged in the chest, making a wound that will prove fatal.

Courage of Spawning Fish.

One day while wading and casting for bass in Lone Stonelake, Wisconsin, I inadvertently stepped on the spawning bed of a rock-bass, or "coggle-eye," as they are sometimes called in the west. The fish ran out, and a moment later came back at me and struck quite a severe blow on my leg as I stood in the water. I stood quiet, and the little creature—it was only about half of three-quarters of a pound in weight—ran at my leg again and again, bunting quite forcibly with its head. The whole demeanor of the fish was one of great anger. As the water cleared I could see it very plainly, and it could see me as well, but it showed no signs of moving off, and evidently meant fight. I stepped away from its nest that I had unfortunately trodden upon, and its possessor then abandoned the fight. This was June 15, I believe. We could see a good many black basses shining on the bottom of the lake near the shore. The men of that country said they often caught bass by leaving the bait lying on the bed or "nest." On finding it there upon their return, one or the other of the lads would seize it and carry it off from the bed, and the fish could then be hooked.—Forest and Stream.

Success of Vaccination in Germany.

Under the law of Germany making vaccination compulsory and providing for revaccination at stated periods of life, says the Sanitary Inspector, smallpox is almost completely disappearing from the German empire. A late official report states that 1888 only 110 deaths from smallpox occurred in the whole empire, and that this number is 50 fewer than occurred in 1887, and 87 fewer than in 1886. Of the 110 deaths, 88, or about four-fifths of the whole number, occurred in those parts of the empire immediately bordering other countries not well protected by vaccination, and in which there is constant intercourse between the vaccinated and the unvaccinated sides of the boundary. More than one-third of all the deaths occurred in the Prussian provinces of Posen. Comparing the smallpox death rate of the large cities of Germany, it was 100 times as great in the cities of Austria; 30 times as great in those of Hungary, 16 times as great in those of England, 24 times as great in those of Belgium, and twice as great in those of Switzerland as in the German cities.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our regular correspondence.)
WASHINGTON, Oct. 17, 1890.

Who will go on the Supreme Court bench as the successor of the late Justice Miller, whose funeral took place yesterday afternoon in the Court room? Is the question of questions in Washington at this time. The appointment carries with it an honor second only to that of being President of the United States, and every ambitious young lawyer looks forward to the possibility of his, some day, donning the black silk robe of a Justice of the United States Supreme Court, with quickening heart, beats. It is social Washington, however, that is most concerned in the answer to this question. The Supreme Court families are the real and permanent heads of Washington's official society, although it is customary to speak of the President's wife as the head. Presidents' families change, but the Supreme Court families remain for life. It is feared here that the President may appoint Attorney General Miller to the vacancy. There is nothing against Mr. Miller except the general impression of a large majority of those who have met him that he already holds a position two or three times too big for him, and that he would be entirely lost sight of if dropped into the chair so long occupied by Justice Miller, who was one of the ablest lawyers that ever sat on the bench. Senator Spooner is being talked of for the place, and his appointment would give universal satisfaction here. It is hardly probable that Mr. Harrison will settle this momentous question until Congress assembles, and he has an opportunity to confer with prominent members of his party.

Thursday-morning Ex-Secretary of War Belknap, a citizen of Keokuk, Iowa, was buried with military honors at Arlington cemetery—he was found dead in his bed Monday morning; and Thursday afternoon the funeral services of the late Justice Miller, also a citizen of Keokuk, were held in the chamber of the Supreme Court in the Capitol building. It was a coincidence that these two men, life long friends and citizens of the same town, should have died at almost the same time, but far stranger is the fact that about two weeks ago Gen. Belknap told several of his friends that he had dreamed of standing and talking with Justice Miller and of seeing him fall dead with apoplexy. When Justice Miller was attacked with apoplexy, which was the cause of his death, he fell in the street, near his house, and when Gen. Belknap heard of it he exclaimed: "My God! this is not the last of my dream."

What might have been the cause of serious international complications between France and this country was very diplomatically evaded this week by the administration, through the assistance of several military gentlemen. On Monday morning the Count of Paris returned here from Virginia, and announced his intention of remaining until Mr. Harrison returned for the purpose of calling upon him. Some shrewd heads were put together to prevent this, and the Count was persuaded to leave on a special train for the Gettysburg battle field, less than an hour before the President returned over the same road. They passed each other, both trains going at the rate of forty mile an hour, and that is probably as near as the two men will ever get to one another, as the Count will not return to Washington.

Whether Representative Flower, chairman of the Democratic Congressional committee, is a successful political manager, cannot be told until the returns from the Congressional elections are all in, but that he is a shrewd one he has shown by the manner in which he has drawn Senator Gorman and Senator-elect Brice into sharing the responsibility of managing the campaign. If his party carries the House Mr. Flower will claim the credit of it, and if it is defeated he will divide the responsibility with the other gentlemen. See?

The recent fall in the price of silver has made it apparent that there is to be another silver fight in Congress. The ultra silver men say that the

trouble is with the new law, which does not go far enough—only free coinage will, in their opinion, remedy the trouble. The gold men still maintain that it is impossible to regulate the price of silver or any other mercantile commodity by law. It begins to look as if the silver question would be like the tariff—never finally settled.

In deciding not to call an extra session of Congress Mr. Harrison has shown greater political sagacity than many people have given him credit for possessing. Mr. Blaine's advice is said to be what changed his mind. This decision deprived the democrats of a big card, and one that would have caught lots of votes.

The Killing of Dan G. Price.

Miss Lillie Booth, of Camp Point, shot and killed Dan G. Price in Quincy on last Saturday, the ball entering his back just left of a point a little below the center of the right shoulder blade and punctured the right lung. A slight hemorrhage was followed by violent vomiting. When Mr. Price was shot he ran into a store near by and turning around fired at Miss Booth, the ball entering her back and glancing upward and around the body. He then sank to the floor his revolver falling from his hand. He and his brother were going up the street together and when she fired at Mr. Price the brother grasped her and plied her hands behind her.

Price died from the effects of his wounds in less than three hours. The cause of the tragedy is as follows:

On the last day of February last Miss Booth gave birth to an illegitimate child. She named her affianced husband, Dan G. Price, as the father and since a time several months previous to the child's birth, she and her relatives have done all in their power to induce him to make her his lawful wife. He denied that he was the father of her child, claiming to be the last that he had never wronged her.

Miss Booth is the daughter of one of Adams county's oldest and most respectable families. Born to wealthy parents, she is an educated and cultured young woman. She is now in her 26th year.

Mr. Price's antecedents are equal to those of Miss Booth. The Price family of which he was a son, has lived in this county for many years. Mr. Price was in his 28th year.

The mother of the deceased is living at the present time, but is in a pitiable condition. This is the second son she has lost by violent death. A son named Andrew was murdered in 1888 or 1889 at a singing school party held at Dunkard church, one and a half miles west of the village of Liberty, in this county. At the June term of court in 1889 Byron and Montgomery Leach were indicted for his murder. He was stabbed nine times and died in a few minutes. Montgomery Leach was sent to the penitentiary for ten years. Byron, his brother, was acquitted although it was generally believed that he did the stabbing.

This severe blow so prostrated Mrs. Price, the mother, that she suffered a stroke of paralysis. She has never recovered from that shock. Her tongue was paralyzed later on and she has not spoken a word for something like ten years. For over twenty years she has not been able to leave home. Her intellect is unclouded and this new great grief will be hard indeed for her to bear. This sad affair has wrecked two families and the bitter end is not yet.

This afternoon Seymour Price wrote out a warrant before Magistrate Perry for the arrest of Lillie E. Booth, charging her with assault with intent to kill. Up to 11:00 o'clock the warrant had not been changed. Miss Booth has been placed under arrest and a guard has been detailed to remain with her at the hospital.

LATER: Miss Lillie E. Booth died at the St. Mary's hospital Sunday morning at twenty minutes of seven o'clock. Her death was altogether unexpected, and no relative, friend or acquaintance was by her side at the time. At the moment of dissolution the living soul was present at her bedside. Miss Mary Wilbur, a candidate for the sisterhood, was in the room when a sudden change took place in Miss Booth's condition. Miss Wilbur hastened from the room to call Sister

Corona, and when they returned to the bed the stricken woman lay upon it was rigid in death. Let us agree that her tortured soul had gone to appear before a bar of greater than human judgement, a bar where justice and divine mercy abound.

Escaped from Jail.

Thursday evening about six o'clock Charles Caldwell and Charles Carpenter escaped from the county jail in this city by sawing off four iron bars in the top of the cage surrounding the vestibule just inside the outside door of the jail, which gave them an opening over a foot square through which they dropped to the floor, and the outside door being open gave them their liberty. They were well supplied with tools, as two three-cornered files, two hatchets, six saws made of steel eight to ten inches long and an inch wide, and a chisel made of a piece of strap iron sixteen inches long, and an inch wide, and one-fourth of an inch thick, were found by Sheriff Shankland and Deputy Sheriff Cunningham. One of the hatchets was a brand new one, the other one an old one without a handle which had been lying about the jail for some time. The hammer ends of both hatchets were padded so as to muffle the sound while they were at work. The tools were furnished by outside parties.

Caldwell was convicted of burglary and sentenced to one year in the penitentiary, where Sheriff Shankland had intended taking him on Monday. Carpenter was convicted of an assault with a deadly weapon and sentenced to four months' imprisonment in the county jail.

Sheriff Shankland has telegraphed to surrounding towns and cities and has sent out printed postal cards offering a reward of \$75 for their arrest—\$50 for Caldwell and \$25 for Carpenter. Their escape was discovered a few minutes afterward, but nothing has been learned as to which direction they went or their whereabouts.—Mt. Sterling Democrat-Messenger.

Wants Her Babe.

Several weeks ago a man named Jefferson Bliss arrived here with a three year-old child and made his home in the family of Prof. Hall. The people of the village obtained a little knowledge of him except a report that was circulated that his wife had recently died and he was left with his child.

Last Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Buck, of Florida, and Mrs. Mary E. Bliss, of Wyoming county, New York, arrived at the Francis house. Thursday morning they obtained a survey and driver and the party proceeded to drive slowly about town, passing the Hall residence several times.

Finally Bliss and the child were seen to enter the grocery store of Hall & Omer. The carriage was stopped and Mrs. Bliss and Buck alighted and Buck stepped into Hall & Omer's picked up the child, ran out and handed it to the mother, who immediately started to the carriage. Bliss saw the child taken out and dashed after the party. Buck placed himself in Bliss' way, delaying him so he did not overtake Mrs. Bliss until she reached the carriage. Here a scuffle took place between the two men, which resulted in Bliss being thrown to the ground.

It appears that Bliss and his wife had separated for reasons which are differently given by the opposite sides of the controversy, and he had secretly taken the child and brought it from the home in New York to Camp Point. After a long search the mother learned its location and prevailed on the Bucks, who were old acquaintances visiting there, to accompany her to Illinois, her parents being aged people.

On Friday Bliss employed Bonney & Wood, who began habeas corpus proceedings before Judge Marsh, of Quincy, to recover the child.—Camp Point Journal.

The Quincy Journal says: "Judge Marsh, in a few well chosen words, expressed it as his opinion that Mrs. Bliss is evidently the better person of the two, all things considered, to have the charge and care of a three-year-old girl. A decision in accordance with the above opinion was formally given and the mother was at liberty to take her child and go her way."

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THE Czar of Russia is to celebrate his silver wedding in November. Perhaps that accounts for the recent fluctuations in the silver market.

EX-PRESIDENT HAYES is still living. He has recently denied that he was matrimonially inclined toward a Virginia widow. The widow has not been heard from.

THE public has recently been informed that J. Gould never allows his desk to be dusted. Next, perhaps, we shall be told that he never allows his stock to be watered.

CALIFORNIA has the dubious honor of giving a fresh start to the absurd story of ghostly visitants to a photograph gallery who insists on standing behind the sitters and having their pictures taken.

A WRITER in a current magazine attempts to prove that Chicago is the heart of the nation. Perhaps it is; but if so, Uncle Sam should lose no time in seeking the advice of a specialist for the treatment of heart disease.

If the private soldiers on both sides during the late war had fought as valiantly in the field as their officers have since done in the newspapers, it never would have taken four years to settle the conflict. Four weeks would have been sufficient.

THE republican says the new tariff law starts us on the road to unprecedented prosperity, and the democrat that it will carry us to the demeriton pow-wow, wherever that is. Both of them cannot be right, and perhaps neither of them are.

SUPPOSE Miss Winnie Davis, who happens to be the daughter of a man whose name was a very familiar one a few years ago, has given her lover the mitten. It was only exercising the inherent right of every woman, and what, pray, have the newspapers to do with it?

THE New York Herald says: "A number of our own party makes a tour. A junket is the trip of a number of the opposition." For the correctness of this definition of "tour" and "junket" the reader is referred to the party newspapers' accounts of Mr. Harrison's recent trip.

IF the commercial agency of Dunn & Co. be correct in its recent statement that Wall Street no longer acts as a barometer to the business of the country, the country is certainly to be congratulated. The sharks of Wall Street have for many years exercised a power that would not have been tolerated in any other country.

ALL the good and patriotic men are not confined to one political party, nor do all the thugs, ballot box stuffers and thieves march under the same political banner. It is well enough to remember this when listening to the enthusiastic orations of the gentlemen who enthrone and orate at a stated price per diem and expenses paid.

TALK about ten strikes in the advertising line. No American advertiser has ever had the free advance advertising that the lecture tour of the two distinguished Irishmen, Messrs O'Brien and Dillon, who have just arrived in this country after a more or less exciting time in eluding the vigilance of the English police authorities, is getting from the American press.

By the way, why doesn't some enterprising lecture bureau offer the Count of Paris a lucrative engagement? It would be far more profitable to the Count than spending his time in vain handwringing for the re-establishment of the French throne, and the tuff leaders of America are numerous enough to make it certain that the venture would pay his managers.

GOV. CAMPBELL, of Ohio, and President Harrison are apparently not of one mind regarding extra sessions.

A NEW attachment to engine boilers for doing away with the disagreeable smoke so offensive to travelers when riding in a railroad car, is one of the latest and best inventions of the age. It is one that provides for the introduction of steam into the fire-box, thus consuming the smoke, while at the same time water gas fuel is added to increase the heat. This burner can be attached to any kind of a boiler and is becoming popular among the railroads. There are now equipped with these burners 120 engines on the Northwestern railroad, 33 on the Lake shore, 22 on the Baltimore & Ohio, 20 on the Chicago & Eastern Illinois, 3 on the Western Indiana, 20 on the Pennsylvania, 12 on the Rock Island and a few on the Illinois Central. These roads are equipping their engines one after the other with this burner and are gradually doing away with the smoke from their engines.

The Tragedy at Bluffs.

The following we clip from the Quincy Journal of Monday evening. We have not been able to find out any of the particulars of the case, several different stories are afloat in regard to it. Mr. Chenoweth has many warm friends here who will watch the case with interest. He is a reliable straight-forward, honest young man. Every one seems to think that he was forced to shoot Thompson.

"Friday night Ed. Chenoweth, night operator for the Wabash at Bluffs, Illinois, shot and instantly killed Harry Thompson. Chenoweth, who was married only about six months since, was in the depot, accompanied by his wife and a lady

friend. Thompson, with a number of friends, were engaged in singing obscene songs on the platform. Chenoweth went out and told the crowd that there were ladies in the depot and asked them to desist. Thompson replied that they would do nothing of the kind.

One word brought on another until blows were passed. The two men then went across the track and had a regular fight. Chenoweth got the worst of the fight and cried enough several times, but Thompson did not desist.

Finally Chenoweth succeeded in getting away and retreated into the depot. Thompson followed him closely, being determined to further punish him. Chenoweth went to the money drawer and pulled out his revolver. He took careful aim and fired. The bullet entered Thompson's forehead immediately above the bridge of the nose and he sank to the floor, a corpse.

Chenoweth went to Winchester, the county seat, immediately after the shooting, and surrendered to the officers and is now in jail. Thompson resided in Jacksonville and was a carpenter, but was engaged in the building of a house at Bluffs. His companions were carpenters also and several of them were from Jacksonville. He was drinking and was said to have been a desperate man. Public opinion is generally with Chenoweth, but the affair caused a great deal of excitement in the vicinity.

In hotel dining rooms the name of the house is frequently seen woven in circles on table cloths and napkins. For years the large hotels have suffered severely by the loss of linen. Indelible ink was no longer indelible after the thieves got at it. The device for weaving the name in the center of the piece came from Ireland, and it is said to be almost certain protection.

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STAPLE & FANCY GROCERIES,
Provisions, Glassware,

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Which will be sold at

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Highest Market price paid in cash
for country produce.

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FALL AND WINTER
DRESS GOODS,

Flannels, Cassimeres and Gingham,

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Will it be till you come to the OLD RELIABLE and buy one of our \$2.50 OVERCOATS or one of

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OVERCOATS

that prices and quality will make them move. Our stock is entirely new and unbroken and have been selected with great care. Our stock of

HATS AND CAPS,

BOOTS AND SHOES,

GENTS' : FURNISHING : GOODS

AND NOTIONS,

In all varieties, is VERY CHEAP. We cordially invite our many friends to an inspection of them. All will be welcome and kindly treated whether you buy or not by our gentlemanly clerks, Messrs. Kratz and Lukmeyer. Thanking you for a thirty-one years patronage, I am truly yours,

J. H. CARVER.

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And my motto will be QUICK SALES AND SMALL PROFITS. Here below you will find a few leaders:

14 pounds Granulated Sugar for.....\$1 00
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And all other goods will be sold at ROCK BOTTOM PRICES, consisting of

Staple and Fancy Groceries, Confectionery,
Dry Goods, Hardware and Cutlery, Glass,
Queens and Woodenware and

Gents Furnishing Goods and Notions of all kinds.

Remember I sell for cash only and can and will sell cheaper than those selling on credit.

I cordially invite everybody to give me a call, and thanking my many friends for past patronage and hoping to receive a liberal share of same in the future I remain, Yours to Please,

M. E. GEISS.

Special Discount of 8 Per Cent.

When and where will I buy my

BOOTS AND SHOES

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Buy them now. Wear them in the

dust and you will have water-

proof boots when snow

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This will make shoes cheaper than at any F. A. or F. M. B. A. store.

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—Lard, 7c.
—Oats, 40c.
—Corn, 45c.
—Meal, 80c.
—Eggs, 15c.
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—Flour, \$1.40.
—Butter, 15c.
—Bran, 70c. cwt.
—Coarse Meal, 60c.
—Shipstuffs, 90c. cwt.
—Hogs, \$3.75 to \$4.00.
—Potatoes, \$1 to \$1.20.
—Mixed Feed, 15c. cwt.
—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
—John Vanderlip spent Sunday at home.

I am now prepared to repair watches and jewelry.
—N. HARRIS.
—John Frye, of Naples, was in town Monday.
Gold Standard flour for sale at M. E. Geiss and Keener & Pike.

—Frank Marden, of Naples, was here last week.
Go to J. H. Carver's for your notions and dry goods.

—Bob Hart, of Bluffs, was in the city Thursday.

Four pounds best rio roast coffee for \$1. at the cash store of M. E. Geiss.
—Capt. Keener went down the river in his yacht Sunday.

Go to J. H. Carver's for all wool blankets.
—Albert Peters, of Versailles, called on THE NEWS last week.

For gents' underwear go to the cash store of M. E. Geiss.
—George Turnham and family took in the Locks Sunday.

White shirts at fifty cents.
J. H. CARVER.
—A social party was given at Tom Hyatt's last Friday night.

Special sale on blankets this week.
J. H. CARVER.
—Joel Ham and son, of Chambersburg, were in town on business Saturday.

Try a sack of our Gold Standard flour. Kept by M. E. Geiss and Keener & Pike.
CLAYTON MILLING CO.

—Miss Lora Frye and Mrs. Pat Kirms, of Naples visited relatives here last week.

D. Watts is the place to buy your watches, clocks, jewelry and specialties.
—Miss Lettie Bushnell is visiting in Versailles, the guest of the Misses Stewart.

Boys suits at \$1.00—new goods at that—at J. H. CHEVRE'S.
—Will Curry, Elmer Smith, Henry Beall, Emory Cain and Blach McCoy of Clayton, are hunting and fishing below the bridge this week.

"Our Own" brand of cotton flannels is the best. You'll get your money's worth by buying them of J. Linkins & Co., Naples, Ill.

—Golden's calaboose was burned a week ago and the store of Henry Heinicke robbed of \$200. Sunday night Mr. Heinicke's store was reduced to ashes.

Go to M. E. Geiss or Keener & Pike and buy a sack of the celebrated Gold Standard flour.

—We were treated to a serenade on one night last week by three of our popular young men, viz Harry Andre, John Nevill and Gus Graham. The music was excellent gentleman.

Thanks.
Ladies, you will find it to your interest to see my large stock of millinery, one door south of Keener & Pike's office.

MAUD M. JACQUES.
—C. Pilger, and J. H. Iveniger, of Beardstown, were in town Tuesday. Mr. Pilger is a candidate for sheriff of Cass county. While here they called at THE NEWS office. They are both pleasant gentlemen.

J. H. Carver has just received an immense stock of fall and winter goods. Call and see them.

—Nothing brings speedier wealth than a good patent. If you have an idea, write, describing it, to Messrs C. A. Spow & Co., Patent Solicitors, Opp. U. S. Patent Office, Washington, D. C., and they will inform you free of charge whether it is patentable. Read their advertisement in this paper.

New stock of hats, caps and gloves, the right styles at the right prices at J. LINKINS & CO. NAPLES, ILL.

See my line of ladies' plush cloaks and save money.
J. H. CARVER.

—J. W. Green, of Oxville, was on our streets one day last week.
Go to J. H. Carver's for great bargains.

—Walter Bayard, of the Locks, was in town one evening last week.
—Mr. Williams, of Jacksonville, visited Dr. and Mrs. Ray, Sunday.

Ladies go to J. H. Carver's and see a line of fine plush jackets.
—D. Watts, Jno. Turner and Frank Wilson spent the day in Naples Sunday.

New raisins and currents at the cheap cash store of M. E. Geiss.
—Jack Gibbs and daughter, of Griggsville, visited friends here the past week.

All-wool red flannels at 20c per yard.
J. H. CARVER.
—John Burris, Miss Susie Wilson and Frank Wilson attended the supper, at Bluffs last Thursday night.

We open a large line of dry goods this week. Come in and see them. We'll save you money.
J. LINKINS & CO. NAPLES, ILL.

—Mr. William Stewart, of Versailles accompanied by his son and two daughters visited here Monday.
J. H. Carver wants all the people to call and see his fine stock of goods.

—Let everybody that can attend the supper at Naples on Thursday night. A good time is expected.
Have you tried the Gold Standard flour? For sale by M. E. Geiss and Keener & Pike.

—The wheat sown in this part of the county looks well. There has been an increased amount sown this fall.
For gloves and caps go to the cheap cash store of M. E. Geiss.

—Jas. Ward, Mrs. Lauderman, Louis Kellogg and Tom and Al Kennison, of Naples, were in town last week.
All wool red flannel 18 cents at the cheap cash store of M. E. Geiss.

—Tom Burrus, of Naples, was in town Sunday and took in the excursion to the Locks in the afternoon.
All linen collars 10 cents.

J. H. CARVER.
—Owing to a rush in business at the dry goods and grocery house of J. H. Carver another clerk has been added. Mr. William Looman is the lucky person. Will has been with F. Einstein for some time and is a competent salesman and a reliable young man.

D. Watts has received one of the finest and most complete lines of jewelry, watches and clocks ever shown in Meredosia. Call and inspect them.

—While out hunting last Saturday, David Johnson of Perry, aged 17, accidentally shot and killed himself. The shot took effect in his thigh, and he bled to death before surgical assistance could be summoned. This is the third party in that county who, during the last two months has been killed while hunting.

Our \$2.00 shoe for men and women is all solid leather; the best that can be produced at the price. Try them.
J. LINKINS & CO. NAPLES, ILL.

—Shortly after twelve o'clock on Monday night our citizens were aroused from their slumbers by the cry of fire. On reaching the scene it was found that the barn belonging to Mrs. Hyde, in the east part of town, was on fire. The flames had too good a start to do anything, consequently it was burned to the ground. Loss not learned.

Go to Bickers, Versailles, for harness, saddles, whips, etc. He has no parlors, but he has the harness all the same, and they will be sold at rock-bottom prices.

—At the kindness of Capt. Brown, of the Lotus, the members of the corner band, accompanied by about 30 others, were treated to an excursion to the Locks on last Sunday afternoon. A jolly good time was had by everyone and much credit is due the estimable Captain and his crew. He has an excellent set of men, one that he can always rely on. He has the thanks of all who attended.

At 10 cents per yard we sell a half wool mohair dress goods, all colors. Just the thing for school dresses.
J. LINKINS & CO. NAPLES, ILL.

—Here is a recipe for making cake: Beat together the yolks of four eggs, and one cup of white sugar, add one-fourth cup of milk, one and a half cups of the celebrated Gold Standard Flour, one and a half teaspoonfuls baking powder. Bake in two large pans. Beat whites of two-eggs to a stiff froth, add one half of a grated orange, one cup of sugar. Spread this between the cakes. The celebrated Gold Standard Flour is for sale by M. E. Geiss and Keener & Pike.

See my line of ladies' plush cloaks and save money.
J. H. CARVER.

—Jno. Burris and Miss Stella Summers took in the Locks Sunday.
Go to J. H. Carver for a fine hat.

—Misses Etta Wallahan and Eva Hobson spent Sunday in Chapin.
—Marion Burgess, of Versailles, was in this place one day last week.

—Albert Brady, brakeman on the Wabash, spent Sunday in Meredosia.
—Mrs. Timmons, of Versailles, is visiting her nephew, Neal Burgess.

—Elmer Chandler and wife, of Decatur, are visiting James Bowling and wife.
—Mrs. Bartell and Mrs. Moore, of Naples, were trading in this place last week.

—Henry Lindsey and father, of Ripley, were on business here last Saturday.
—A gang of men were here last week surveying in the interest of the snip canal.

Dry goods in all styles at J. H. Carver's.
—Mrs. Rosa Brash and a lady friend, of Beardstown, visited M. S. Lewinson last week.

—Isaac Hubert and wife, of Arenzville, visited relatives here Saturday and Sunday.
—Two wolves were seen on the farm of Dr. Robbins, about six miles east of Carthage last week.

—We printed invitations for a grand ball to be given at Naples on Thursday evening, Oct. 30.
—Ed Marsh and wife and Miss Buhla Abrams, of Naples, visited with Dr. Nevill and wife last week.

—A party of ladies and gentlemen from Jacksonville spent Sunday with Royal Moores at the Locks.
—Des Moines young women have organized a ten o'clock club, the pledge requiring all members to retire at that hour.

—A Georgia editor in announcing his marriage says: "We have taken this step for better or worse but it is poor woman that can't support one editor."

We wish to inform the readers of THE NEWS that our celebrated flour, Gold Standard, is for sale by M. E. Geiss and Keener & Pike.
CLAYTON MILLING CO.

—Our correspondents are not very regular of late. We wish you would see to this friends, as we always reserve space for you, and when your communication fails to appear it causes us much inconvenience.

Go to J. H. Carver's for a fine suit of clothes.
—The following is the description of a well-known young lady in Quincy: She could swing a six pound dumb-bell, she could fence and she could box, she could row upon the river, she could clamor 'mong the rocks, she could do some heavy bowling, and play tennis all day long; but she couldn't help her mother, because she wasn't strong.

—The jury in the case of the people vs. Steve Morgan, charged with assault to kill, yesterday found defendant not guilty and he was released. It appears that while the jury did not consider him entirely innocent, they took into consideration the fact that he had lain in jail for some time and decided on his release.—Beardstown Star of the West.

Rapid Work.

We copy the following from the Daily Nebraska State Journal, Sept. 12, 1890, in regard to G. L. Plowman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Plowman, of this place:

Among the attractive exhibits at the State Fair is that of the Calligraph at the Journal headquarters. Mr. J. W. Straight and Mr. G. L. Plowman are the operators, and can either write from new matter about 100 words per minute. Last year Mr. G. L. Plowman beat all previous records. Yesterday he showed his ability to write faster than ever before, and wrote 163 words in one minute; his last year's record being 157 words on a repeated sentence. Mr. Straight is a very graceful and rapid operator, and his work is beautifully done. He does not rush over the key board with the lightning rapidity of Mr. Plowman, but does his work with an ease and grace that is truly attractive. Many articles were read from newspapers at from 80 to 100 words per minute, and handed to the spectators, who read them back while others held the papers from which the articles were read. Mr. Plowman accomplished the wonderful feat of writing from new matter 121 words in one minute, which is about the average rate of public speaking. These feats were performed in the presence of a large number of spectators, and many watches were held during the time, as hundreds can testify."

The Meredosian News.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1890.

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Advertising rates made known upon application.

TERMS: \$1.25 A YEAR, IN ADVANCE.

Announcement.

Thereby announce myself as a candidate for Representative for Morgan and Macoupin counties, to represent the Farmers and Industrial classes of the 38th Senatorial District, ALEXANDER PLATT.

SEVEN out of every eight loaves of bread eaten in London are made from foreign wheat.

SETTLERS in Sargent county, N. D., are in a bad fix to get through the winter, and the report is out that they will need aid before spring.

MIKE KELLY, the only, the Boston \$10,000 lass ball beauty, was put in the New York battle Thursday night for keeping a gambling house.

CIVIL service examinations will be held in Chicago, Oct. 30 and 31. The first day will be devoted to applicants for work in the department service.

It is stated that the great Sheridan tunnel near Telluride, Colo., has developed a body of silver ore and that over \$15,000,000 is in sight. The town is "wild with excitement."

SAMUEL GOMPELS, president of the American Federation of Labor, has issued a call for the tenth annual convention of the organization, which will meet at Detroit, Mich., Dec. 8.

SECRETARIES BLAINE and Windom, who served together in the Garfield cabinet, and have been most intimate friends since, are said to be the only out and out chums in the present cabinet.

In a message to the city council of New Orleans Saturday, Mayor Shakspeare announced that he himself had been selected as the next victim by the Italian Society that encompassed the death of Chief of Police Hennessy.

The Union Labor party of Milwaukee which has come out flatfooted against the Lutheran crusade on the Bennett law will wheel two miniature school houses around the city and their candidates will speak from them.

GEN. B. F. BUTLER was arrested at Pueblo, Colo., Wednesday by a constable, on a suit for \$72.04 by F. P. Lannon. The debt was contracted several years ago by an agent of General Butler, who had charge of one of his ranches.

The American Brewing Association among the incorporators of which are Adolphus Busch, of St. Louis, and A. B. Speckels, of San Francisco, with a capital of \$3,000,000, proposes to erect and have in operation in about a year one of the largest breweries in the world.

A NATIONAL census will be taken in Austria this winter. On December 29 every house-owner will receive a census blank, which, under penalty of the law, he must fill in for every inmate of his house and deliver to an official on January 3. The questions to be answered are neither numerous nor minutely inquisitive. Only in matters pertaining to nationality and language will the census especially detailed.

The old duty on wire nails was 4 cents per pound, and yet they were selling in this country at from \$2.50 to \$2.75. When the duty of four cents was put on in 1883, wire nails were selling at 80, and all were imported. Now none are imported to speak of, this country making its own nails. By the new law the duty is 2 cents per pound. These are facts, free from theorizing.

A GENTLEMAN who has just returned from abroad tells me that "Down west McGinty" is just now taking the rage at the London music halls. The Londoners have an idea that the song is of English origin, he said. Doubtless there are many Americans who imagine that "Little Annie Rooney" was first sung in this country, but this is a mistake. The now famous Annie was brought to this country by a London music hall singer. As the Londoners got "McGinty" in exchange for "Annie" I think they got the worst of it.

Excursion to Beardstown.

Last Sunday morning about forty of Meredosian's citizens, including the cornet band, availed themselves of the opportunity, and boarded the steamer Lotus, in command of Capt. Alex. Brown, for a trip to Beardstown and return. The morning was very disagreeable, there being a strong, chilly wind blowing from the north-west, but once on board the Lotus we found it warm and comfortable. At 9:20 the Captain took his position in the pilot house, the band played one of its best selections, the signal was given to "let 'er go," and the Lotus was headed for the above place.

On arriving at the Locks, that prince of good fellows, Royal Moores, joined the party and took charge of the pilot house, thus releasing the Captain, giving him a chance to entertain the ladies and gentlemen, more especially the former sex, he being a regular ladies man. The party arrived at Beardstown at 12:30 o'clock, and after about two hours and a half pleasantly spent in taking in the sights of the city they started on the return trip, arriving at the Meredosia landing at 6:30.

The trip was enjoyed by all, and the party has nothing but good words for Capt. Brown and his gentlemanly crew, as they did everything in their power to make it pleasant for all on board. Some of the ladies and gentlemen feel very grateful toward Mr. Charles Fisher for favors extended. They say he "takes the cake." We think that is a mistake, as we noticed that they took the cake. The band furnished the excursion with an abundance of excellent music both going and coming.

Beardstown is a nice little city, has a large number of elegant business houses and residences. Quite a number dined at the Park House, and speak in the highest terms of the treatment they received. The clerk remarked: "Why didn't you let us know you were coming? We would have gotten up an extra dinner for you." We don't know what extras they could have added to have made the dinner any better, as it was all any one could ask.

Much credit is due to Henry Geiss, as he went around among the citizens and got up the crowd for the excursion. The excursion will long be remembered by the party. Long live Capt. Brown and his crew.

Poisoned.

Thursday of this week George H. Kendall, a painter of this place, while doing some painting for Joe Dunham, who lives south-east of New Salem, drank some alcohol oil of shellac varnish. He was immediately taken very sick, and at his request Mr. Dunham started to bring him home. He grew rapidly worse, and when he arrived opposite Thomas Potter's could go no farther. He was taken into Potter's and Dr. Miller was called in, who worked hard to save his life, but in vain. He died about 2 o'clock p. m. Mrs. Kendall had been sent for and was present at her husband's bedside when he died.

George was a young man in the prime of life, and had many friends and no enemies. He was kind, generous and industrious, and but for his one weakness would no doubt have been highly respected. As it was, he was well liked, and his sad death is on every one's tongue. He leaves a wife to mourn his loss.

As we go to press we learn that an inquest will be held.—Baylis Guide.

The Jolly Man.

Long life to the jolly man. Wherever he goes there fits a breeze or sparkles a sunbeam, or behold! the refreshment of a shower that turns the withered commonplace of life green as an April meadow. I have no patience with that etiquette that forbids hearty laughter. As well reprove a lark for singing as the sun is rising. I have no patience, either, with the crackle of thorny laughter, under the bubbling pot of meaningless mirth; but downright contagious hilarity, with its quick peal of laughter bells—give us plenty of that to keep our hearts in tuneful harmony.

Did you ever hear of a villain who was full of the appreciation of humor, or quickly moved to laughter? Bad men may show their teeth, like Carver, or contort their faces into meaningless smiles, but their merriment is as different from the jocular laughter of good men as the call of a night bird differs from a bobolink's sunlit spray of morning melody.—Chicago Herald.

Dr. Watts has received one of the finest and most complete lines of jewelry, watches and clocks ever shown in Meredosia. Call and inspect them.

John Price Sheds His Skin once a Year.

Among the callers at the office last night says the St. Joseph Gazette, was Mr. John A. Price, of Butte, Montana, who is now visiting his sister, Mrs. Amos Dieback, of Walker's addition. Mr. Price is a medical curiosity, whose case has been discussed by the doctors in the East for several years, and he is now en route to New York, whence he goes to Europe in the interest of science as a subject to be exhibited before the clinics of the various medical colleges.

Once every year, between the 13th and 20th of July, this man sheds his cuticle. He is now 37 years of age, and this singular process has been going on since childhood. To substantiate his statements Mr. Price exhibited to a Gazette reporter the entire skins of both hands, taken off at the shedding of 1889, which had been cured into a state of permanency, and which have much the appearance of tan-colored kid gloves. One of the gloves fitted comfortably over the left hand of the reporter, who tried it on.

Some time ago Mr. Price happened to get hold of the address of several doctors in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and wrote to them, stating his case, and also sending them pieces of his skin. They didn't believe his statements, but corresponded with him, and, finally, to satisfy themselves, they determined to make an investigation. They had never heard of anything of the kind before. After considerable correspondence, they agreed last spring to pay his expenses to Pittsburgh and return.

Accordingly, Mr. Price went to Pittsburgh about two weeks before the usual time of the shedding process in order to give the medical men plenty of time to study every stage of the case. Just before the skin begins to peel off Mr. Price becomes deathly sick, and remains so for two or three days. He then recovers and strips himself of his cuticle and appears in a new skin. Arriving in Pittsburgh, he was taken in charge by his doctors, and, sure enough, about July 17, after his usual sickness, the change of the skin took place.

The doctors succeeded in removing the entire cuticle from his neck and face down to the ends of his toes, in one piece, just as you would remove a suit of clothes from a acrobat. This is done with a view of studying the skin. To say that the doctors were astonished and completely puzzled, does not begin to express it. They made arrangements to take Mr. Price to Europe and bring him before a convention of the most eminent doctors of the old world and let them make a thorough study of the cause for the benefit of science. Steps will also be taken to cure the patient himself.

All Mr. Price's expenses are to be paid, and if any money is made out of this singular transformation process he is to have the benefit. The doctors did not know what name to give to his singular case. They simply called it a freak of nature, and could in no way account for it.

Mr. Price was born in Nebraska. He is five feet seven inches in height, fair complexion, good looking, weighs 150 pounds, is of good form and very active, being quite an athlete. He will remain in St. Joseph for several days, and then leave for the East.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Estate of George Burrus, Deceased.
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, administrator of the estate of George W. Burrus, deceased, will attend before the County Court of Morgan County at the court house in Jacksonville on the first Monday of November, A. D. 1890, being the third day thereof, for the purpose of making final settlement of said estate. At which time and place I will ask for an order of distribution and will also ask to be discharged. All persons interested are notified to attend.
JACKSONVILLE, Ill., Oct. 6, 1890.
GEO. W. GRAHAM, Admr.

Executor's Notice.

Estate of John Winters, deceased.
The undersigned, having been appointed executor of the last will and testament of John Winters, late of the county of Morgan, and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Morgan County at the court house in Jacksonville, at the December term A. D. 1890, of said court, on the first Monday, in December next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.
Dated this first day of October, A. D. 1890.
JOSEPH SCHMIDT, Executor.

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—Sweet Potatoes, \$1.00.
—Mixed Feed, 75c. cwt.
—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.

—Charles Purnell took a trip to Naples Friday.

Go to J. H. Carver for a fine hat! —Prof. Higgins, of Naples, candidate for county supt. of schools, made us a very pleasant call Monday.

For gloves and caps go to the cheap cash store of M. E. Geiss.

—Medames Jack Hawk, Frank McWane and Charles Lewis, of Versailles, were trading in this place Monday.

Go to J. H. Carver's for a fine suit of clothes.

—Dr. S. J. Wilson, one of Versailles' prominent physicians, spent a few hours in our village Monday, and called at our office.

I am now prepared to repair watches and jewelry. N. HARRIS.

—Tom Fitzpatrick, who has been night operator at Baylis for the past year, has been transferred to Bluffs to take charge of the night office there.

Gold Standard flour for sale at M. E. Geiss and Keener & Pike.

—Every time a cow moves her tail to switch a fly she exerts the force of three pounds. In the course of a summer a single cow wastes 5,000,000 pounds of energy. The cows of America throw away power enough to move every piece of machinery in the world. This is exclusive of kicking milk maids off the stools.—Ex.

Have you tried the Gold Standard flour? For sale by M. E. Geiss and Keener & Pike.

—Editors, as a rule, are kind hearted and liberal. An exchange tells of a subscriber who died left fourteen years' subscription unpaid. The editor appeared at the grave as the lid was being screwed down for the last time and put in a linen duster, a thermometer, a palm leaf fan and a receipt for making ice.

We wish to inform the readers of The News that our celebrated flour, Gold Standard, is for sale by M. E. Geiss and Keener & Pike.

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—The latest swindle to catch the unsuspecting farmer is that of the fence wire fiend. He will offer to deliver you a good eight wire fence, with iron posts, for eight cents per foot, and secure a contract which afterwards turns out to mean 8 cents per foot for each wire, or a total of 64 cents per foot. Look out for him.

Ladies, you will find it to your interest to see my large stock of millinery, one door south of Keener & Pike's office.

—R. L. Underwood, principal of the Perry public schools and junior editor of the Perry Transcript, has received an appointment in the pension office at Washington, and will resign his position at Perry and remove to Washington, in the near future. "Bob" is one of our best friends; and we are glad that the present administration has recognized his ability.—Baylis Guide.

J. H. Carver has just received an immense stock of fall and winter goods. Call and see them.

—A Georgia editor who had been trying to infuse life into a dead town, at last gave up in despair with the following announcement: "Our next issue will be our last. We are satisfied the people of this town can get along without us, for we have got along with out the people for six months past. There are some subscriptions owing, but we will not collect them, as the citizens will soon need the money to defray the funeral expenses of the town."

Go to Bickers, Versailles, for harness, saddles, whips, etc. He has no parlors, but he has the harness all the same, and they will be sold at rock-bottom prices.

—The river is on the raise.

—Next Tuesday is election.

All-wool red flannels at 20c per yard.

J. H. CARVER.

—Our merchants were all busy Saturday afternoon.

Dry goods in all styles at J. H. Carver's.

—Neal Burgess has moved his family to Versailles.

Go to J. H. Carver's for your notions and dry goods.

—Tom Hyatt spent Saturday and Sunday in Naples.

Four pounds best Rio roast coffee for \$1. at the cash store of M. E. Geiss.

—Mrs. F. A. Nevill visited relatives in Naples last Friday.

Go to J. H. Carver's for all wool blankets.

—Stafford Smith spent a few days visiting friends in Griggsville.

—Louis Kellogg, of Naples, was on business here Monday.

White shirts at fifty cents.

J. H. CARVER.

—William Miller and Al Furgessen, of Naples, spent Saturday in Dosh.

For gents' underwear go to the cash store of M. E. Geiss.

—Budge Glaze and Frank McWayne, of Versailles, spent the day here Monday.

Special sale on blankets this week.

J. H. CARVER.

—Ed Heaton and wife, after an absence of several days up the river, returned last week.

All wool red flannel 18 cents at the cheap cash store of M. E. Geiss.

—Miss Mary Higgins, of Naples, was a visitor at our office Monday. She informed us that she had secured a class in painting in our town.

D. Watts is the place to buy your watches, clocks, jewelry and specialties.

—A paper was passed one day last week soliciting money to repair the loss of Mrs. Hyde's barn and about \$40 was raised, which was given her. The barn was burned one night last week.

Go to M. E. Geiss or Keener & Pike and buy a sack of the celebrated Gold Standard flour.

—Jno. Burrus, Miss Maymie Knowland, Michael Knowland and wife, D. Watts, Will Hyatt and C. C. Keener took in the supper at Naples last evening. A good time is reported.

J. H. Carver wants all the people to call and see his fine stock of goods.

—Lyman Diltz, wife and daughter, of Colorado Springs, Colo., arrived in Meredosia Monday evening on a visit among relatives and friends. Mr. Diltz and family are former residents of this place.

Ladies go to J. H. Carver's and see a line of fine plush jackets.

—Will Wantland, representing the Quincy Candy Co., was in town Tuesday morning interviewing our merchants. While here he called at THE NEWS office. He is a jolly good fellow and thoroughly understands his business.

See my line of ladies plush cloaks and save money. J. H. CARVER.

—Harry C. Montgomery, candidate for county superintendent of schools, of Morgan county, was interviewing our people Tuesday. Mr. Montgomery is a democrat of the first water; every one knows and if elected will serve the people honestly and honorably.

Go to J. H. Carver's for great bargains.

—THE NEWS office has turned out a large amount of job work the past week. We have one of the most complete job offices in this section of the country. We are prepared to do any and all kinds of job work. When wanting anything in this line give us a call.

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J. H. CARVER.

—Engineer Martin, of a train on the Jacksonville Northwestern railway, felt a bridge giving away as his train was crossing it near Jacksonville, Ill., Wednesday night. He put on full steam and pulled the train safely over, the bridge going down just as the last car left it.

New raisins and currents at the cheap cash store of M. E. Geiss.

—We printed invitations this week for a grand ball to

The Meredosia News.

NOTICE.—The Publishers of this paper hold themselves responsible for any views that may be advanced by correspondents. To insure insertion communications must reach us not later than Tuesday noon. Correspondence solicited.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

Rushville has been visited by an army of rats.

According to the government census report Mt. Sterling has a population of 1654—an increase in ten years of 209.

A girl of thirteen and a boy of seventeen were married at Columbia, Mo., the other day, with the full consent of their parents.

Peter Erling was caught in the rollers of the clay grinding machine in a pottery at Moundville on the 21st inst., and one leg and hip ground to a pulp.

The J. & S. E. railroad have put on a fast train from Peoria to St. Louis, which will be quite a convenience to people of this county who intend visiting St. Louis.

Hannibal has a chap named King Solomon who is under arrest for getting a pair of socks under false pretenses. How the wisdom of that family has degenerated!

Miss Hattie Sparks was recently arrested in Springfield, Missouri, for stealing a stove and crowbar. Failing to find the articles concealed on her, the prosecuting attorney discharged her.

John Clifford and Wm. Parker, of Alton, quarreled one day last week, while riding home from Edwardsville, in a buggy, and Parker put two bullets in Clifford; one in an arm and one in a leg.

The Decatur electric car company is in trouble. The company agreed to stop its cars in front of a certain store and to call out the name of the firm. They did so a few times and then stopped. The firm sued for \$2,000 damages.

W. D. Grubb, of Edwards county, near Grayville, Illinois, was killed by his stepson Geo. Wick, Monday night, Grubb who had drunk up a fortune, was chasing his wife with a knife, threatening to kill her. Wick used a shotgun.

A cute chap in Litchfield, Mo., made some rockets which, were propelled with smokeless powder. He fired them off at night and has created a meteor scare. Hundreds of people up there are still hunting for the meteors while he is snickering in his sleeve.

At the last term of the circuit court in Hancock county the following sentences were passed: Ben McCoy, larceny, three years in the Joliet penitentiary; Larry Campbell, four years for burglary; Robert N. and Jessie Hill, burglary, eighteen months in the reform school; Walter Thompson and Wm. Hull were indicted for murder, and a number of young men were indicted for gambling.

A swarm of bees which had supposedly been driven from their home, robbed of their winter's honey, were passing over St. Charles looking for a house to rent, when they found the cellar of the California house warm and containing several cups of honey, and they promptly took possession. When Bridget went after some "prattles" the bees greeted her with their warm little stingers, and she shouted louder than a whole salvation army corps.

When Mrs. Albert P. Steckel, of Chillicothe, Missouri, recently of Carthage, Illinois, visited her husband's barber shop she found him shampooing a lady's hair, with the window curtains partially drawn. Although the lady stated that she had requested the curtains drawn on account of the nearness of the shop to public gaze, Mrs. Steckel wouldn't believe the act was innocent. She made Steckel pick-up and return with her to Carthage.

Eugene F. Mease, of Butler, Illinois, promised to marry Miss Florence Tyler last New Year's. He broke his promise and married Miss Tessie Raymond last Saturday. Monday night Miss Tyler called at Mease's room. The bride met her at the door. Miss Tyler walked just her and demanded of Mr. Mease her ring and photograph. He gave her a package. She started to go, turned, drew a revolver, pointed it at Mease's heart and fired. His quick movement caused the bullet to enter his arm and he may live. Miss Tyler was arrested as she passed out of the door.

CHILD-WIVES IN INDIA.

A Native Reformer's Able Attacks on the Land's Great Evil.

The name of Mohanji Malabari deserves to be known and respected in England as that of a native Indian who is doing good work in social reformation. He is one of the ablest and at the same time most temperate assailants of the greatest social curse of India—infant marriage. In a pamphlet which he has published he invites English women to realize if they can the meaning of such expressions as "infant marriage," "baby wife," "girl mother," "virgin widow." As we explained the other day, if a "wife" becomes a "widow," even while she is still an infant, a widow she must remain all her days.

The most ill-fated of these child-wives are, of course, those who become wives not merely in law, but in fact, at ages varying from ten to twelve. "Girls of twelve and thirteen," writes Mr. Malabari, "have to bear the burdens of wifehood and motherhood," and he adds that "not a few of these martyrs succumb to the shock of the first childbirth." This horrible, this hideous practice of child-marriage explains much, if not all, of the poverty and the misery—the physical and moral degradation—to be seen in hundreds of thousands of native Indian families. One of the worst forms of girl-marriage is known as "marrying the girls to the gods, which practically means slavery of body and soul to priests, great numbers of whom live upon the immorality of their girl-wives. This dreadful custom of child-marriage is one which the Legislature that had the courage to abolish suttee has been afraid to meddle with. It was universal. To uproot it would have seemed like uprooting native society.

But the custom is doomed, nevertheless. And its extinction will come about in a way not the least flattering to the rule of the English. The condemnation of child marriage is coming from the people themselves. Its disappearance will not be the work of a day, but when it does come it will be a splendid tribute to the benign civilizing influence of England in the East. Mr. Malabari's own countrymen, the Parsees of Bombay, have for years been laboring in the good cause with a zeal and intelligence which it would be difficult to overpraise. We have already described how the native barbers of Bombay have pronounced against the cruel custom. The educated and intelligent natives of Madras are petitioning for fixing the minimum age of girl marriages at fourteen years. Mr. Malabari's own proposals as to limit of age, right to marry, etc., are detailed in the pamphlet to which we have referred. Nor should it be forgotten that some of the native chiefs are not only theoretically in favor of reform, but have introduced it of their own free will and without any recommendation from the supreme government. The intervention of the supreme government has been chiefly confined to collecting evidence on the question throughout the length and breadth of India and to the distribution of papers to the local administrations.—London News.

FELINE FLIRTATION.

Cats Like to be Petted Even If They Act a Little Stiffly.

We see a cat come stealthily rubbing up against a chair leg, the head inclined coquettishly over one shoulder, regarding us with a furtively, coaxing smile. With a flirt like that, whether maid or matron, there is no occasion for ceremony. You snatch her up on your knee; she pretends to be offended and to struggle to escape. But she curls herself up with a sensuous purr when you begin tickling the fur that lies just behind the ear, and thenceforth it is plain sailing. It is very different with a corpulent and starchy Tom, who, though he may have luxuriated in comfortable quarters all his life, has, nevertheless, had his sad experiences and seen something of the worst side of human nature. Mischiefous boys have heaved half bricks at him, ill-bred and unsympathetic servants have resented his patrician manners, expelling him with ignominy from the lower regions and sometimes punching his head. Even his master, who is the reverse of a puss-omaniac, may never have appreciated him according to his merits. No wonder that a cat of that stamp should be slightly misanthropic and suspicious. Naturally he mistrusts a stranger's advances, but nevertheless, there is something in your voice which sends a quiver through his ears and makes him rigidly relax the rigidity of his tail. You and he might pass for a couple of Free Masons meeting in a foreign country and exchanging the first of the mystical signs. The chances are he may side up toward you when you show an unmistakable desire to converse; but possibly he may stand on his dignity, being a self-respecting animal, and force you to sit after him under the tables. He has no thought of eluding you, or he would have made a bolt of it to some impracticable vantage ground long before, and once in your hands, he resigns himself voluntarily to caressing, sneaking the formidable claws that might strike terror into a bull-dog. It may be said that there is nothing surprising in a petted and domesticated cat behaving civilly to any stranger under his own roof, though civility is one thing, and familiarity at first sight is another.—Saturday Review.

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SOCIETY NOTICES.

BENEVOLENT LODGE, No. 32, A. F. & A. M. meets on the first and third Saturday of each month. J. J. BADIAN, W. M. H. C. WAGNER, Sec'y.

MEREDOSIA CHAPTER, No. 11, R. A. M. meets on the first and third Saturday of each month. H. C. WAGNER, H. P. CHAR. HEINZ, Sec'y.

MEREDOSIA COUNCIL, R. S. M. Regular meeting second Tuesday in each month. C. HEINZ, Sec'y. H. C. WAGNER, T. L. M.

MEREDOSIA LODGE, No. 138, I. O. O. F. meets every Thursday evening at Odd Fellows hall. JAMES SAYAGE, N. G. JOE SMITH, Financier.

A. O. U. W. meets every second and fourth Wednesday of each month. A. E. RICHES, Rec. H. SCHAFER, M. W. JOE SMITH, Financier.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our regular correspondence.)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31, 1890.

Is Great Britain trying to coerce the United States to accept arbitration as the method of ending the complications arising from our claim of exclusive jurisdiction over Behring's Sea, under rights transferred by Russia to the United States along with the title to Alaska?

There are good grounds for believing that such is the case. Let us examine them. In the first place, Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British Minister, who returned to Washington early this week, has placed himself and his government under suspicion by reason of his unprecedented action in having himself interviewed by the newspapers, for the purpose of presenting British arguments in favor of arbitration this question before the American public. It is the first time that a foreign minister has ever made public the full details of the claims of his government in a matter which was the subject of diplomatic negotiation between his own and another government, and the British minister would never have done so except under full and explicit instructions from his own government, and "if it was not done for the purpose of trying to compel the administration to accept what it has already refused, pray what was it done for?"

But that isn't all that why John Bull has done to carry out his policy of frightening us. The fact has been given out from British sources in this city that an agent of the British government, here, has met the two men who control the Canadian nickel mines, who are also here, and that the said agent has contracted enough nickel to replace the armor now on every British armored fighting vessel, with the nickel steel armor which the recent tests at Annapolis demonstrated to be the only armor capable of resisting the force of modern heavy guns and projectiles; and from the same source it is given out that preparations are already under way by the British government to manufacture the new style armor in large quantities, and it is significantly added that it will be at least a year before a pound of the nickel steel armor can be manufactured in the United States. In plain words John Bull says to Uncle Sam: "If you don't arbitrate I'll put my shot proof navy on your coast, and you will be at my mercy." There is considerable interest and in some quarters anxiety, to see what action Mr. Blaine will now take in the Behring's Sea negotiations.

Mr. Harrison, several members of his cabinet, and all the male relations of the administration who possess the right to vote, have gone or are going to their homes to exercise that American privilege next Tuesday; and if the republicans elect a majority of the House, the returning voters will paint Washington a lurid red next week; but should the democrats win, and from the best information to be had here it's a "loss up" as to which party stands the best chance, they will enter town very quietly and meekly, as best the soldiers of a defeated army. More voters will go from Washington than have gone at any one election since away back in the early '70's.

There will be no more census returns. So says Superintendent Porter, and he ought to know. He also says that early next week the Census Bureau will issue a bulletin giving the population of the country, by states, and showing the increase over the census of 1880. Philadelphia has the honor of being the last city to have a request for a recount "turned down."

There is a rumor that Fred Douglass, U. S. Minister to Hayti, who is now here on leave of absence, will be replaced, in deference to the wishes of the authorities of the "black republic," by a white man. Mr. Douglass denies it, and State department officials will neither deny nor affirm it.

The latest story concerning the nomination of a successor to the late Justice Miller is interesting, if not authentic. It is said that it all depends upon the result of the election, and that if the republicans are successful Secretary Noble is to be nominated for the vacancy and Mr. J. S. Clarkson rewarded for his management of the Republican Congressional committee by being taken into the Cabinet as Secretary of the Interior, and if the democrats win Attorney General Miller is to receive the nomination.

It is positively denied at the State department that Mr. Blaine has taken any action, either approving or condemning Mr. Mizner, our Minister to the Central American States for his conduct in the unfortunate Barrundia affair. The matter is still under investigation.

From Naples.
Miss Rigby spent Sunday at home in Barry.

S. Arlith and son, Frank, came over last Friday from Winchester.

Mr. and Mrs. Rush and daughter, of Perry, visited Rev. Wolf's family last week.

Mr. Forshee, who is engaged at Mr. Donovan's in Griggsville, spent Sunday at home.

Our lumber yard has opened again, and several car loads of lumber have been received.

Dr. Higgins and John Linkins have bran new surreys, or road wagons, and put on lots of style.

The government dredge boat was pulling out snags and dredging out the channel here last week.

The candidates are hustling just now, but I presume that ere this is in print their agony will be over.

Mrs. C. H. Lee and daughter, Miss Nina, went to Normal last Thursday to spend a few days with Miss Minnie.

Miss Sallie Chance's horse ran away Saturday, demolishing her cart and bruising her though not very seriously.

Mrs. Gundy and Miss Ida Kinison drove over to Winchester last Friday to visit friends. They returned Sunday.

Miss Carrie Meserve, of Brown county, is visiting Misses Kate and Allie Abrams. Miss Kate has been quite sick, but is able to be out again.

Several of our citizens have been trimming trees during the past week to prevent their being broken by the big sleets we are going to have this winter.

John Harper, the veteran pilot came down with the Belle of Ottawa, having in tow a flat boat loaded with coal, which was disposed of to the school and some of our citizens.

S. E. Marsh was rushing about on Saturday, hunting for the boys, girls, or men "who shut his gate open" half-loose night, and he says if they don't bring that gate back they'd better. Now, boys, you had better take it back, for if Ed finds you out he'll give you a dose of elixer vitrol, "by thunder."

From Versailles.
Thomas McCormick returned from Quincy Monday.

Dr. Frank Bond returned to his home in Scott City, Kansas, Sunday.

Mrs. Katharine Flattery was in Mt. Sterling Saturday and Sunday.

Doc Relsche, who has been in Colorado for some time, is again at home.

Arnon Stinson's house is almost finished and is one of the neatest and costliest houses in town.

The boys celebrated Halloween in this place in a very noisy manner, and by doing considerable mischief.

Misses Cad and Julia Glaze and Fannie McCormick visited in Mt. Sterling and Mounds Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Cad Glaze will depart for Oklahoma Wednesday evening, where she will spend the winter with J. A. Flattery.

Election day passed off very quietly in town, and a light vote was polled. The weather was lovely, but very few people were in town.

We have a new butcher shop in town and Hawn & Fancher are the proprietors. Their shop is located in the front part of C. W. Wainman's building east of McCoy's store.

Joe McCoy and family, who moved to Cooperstown a short time ago, will again become a resident of our town, and we understand he will put his stock of goods in the Ravenscroft building formerly occupied by B. A. McCoy.

CLAYTON MILLING CO.

We wish to inform the readers of this News that our celebrated Runn Gold Standard is for sale by M. E. Geiss and Keener & Pike.

J. H. Carver has just received an immense stock of fall and winter goods. Call and see them.

WAYSIDE SKETCHES.

Concerning Meredosia Lake and Vicinity—A Good Point for Excursionists.

(Jacksonville Courier, 5th inst.)

Just above Meredosia is a small level tract that was the village home of a band of Indians before Morgan county was settled. It was here that Antoine D'Ossia, a French priest, came to labor for their conversion, and his is the name that still remains in the name of the lake and village. The lake at that time was known as Lake Mere, and it was very natural that the two combined into Meredosia.

The government lock, seven miles above Meredosia, is well worthy of a visit, and this is an excellent point to which an excursion might be run by having a steamboat for conveyance from the railroad. The lock itself is quite an attraction, there is a good grove on the west side of the river, and there would be an excellent opportunity for fishing and boating.

THE MEREDOSIA NEWS

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MEREDOSIA, ILLINOIS

The average length of life is said to be greater in Norway than in any other country in Europe. This is attributed to the fact that the temperature is so generally uniform, and it is cool throughout the year.

GERMANY employs 3,000,000 women in industrial pursuits, England 4,000,000, France 3,500,000 and Austria-Hungary about the same number, and still women are the weaker sex, the lesser half, the clinging pensioners on man's beneficence.

VETERAN seamen agree that the iceberg crop of the present summer exceeds that of any previous year during the latter half of the nineteenth century. Their theory is that the whole mountain chains of Arctic ice must have been set adrift by the unprecedented mildness of the last winter.

WHAT this country seems to need is a National law on the subject of kissing. An Ohio court has just fined a man \$2,000 for kissing a woman against her will, while an Illinois man has been mulcted only \$15 for taking a similar liberty. Either the Ohio man got too much justice or the Illinois man too little.

Of the thirty-two all-round athletes in a New York club of five years ago, three are dead of consumption, five have to wear trusses, four or five are lopsided, and three have catarrh and partial deafness. As far as general health and longevity goes, the dry-goods clerk seems to have the bulge on the athlete.

FROM Ottawa comes now the report that the Canadians, who have so long and so studiously maintained the sacredness of the marriage tie, resisting the pernicious example set in the matter of easy divorces by their near neighbors of this "free and glorious republic," are contemplating the step of establishing divorce courts for all the provinces, instead of in a few, as at present.

GENERAL MILES is much out of the way in saying that "the belief that all international questions can be settled by arbitration is good in theory, but dangerous to rely upon." The nation that expects to have its rights duly respected must be prepared to enforce them at any time, and we are, unfortunately, not so situated, owing to our serious lack of coast defenses, particularly on the Pacific.

At Round Brook, N. J., a New York amusement caterer who had been engaged to give an evening's entertainment for the benefit of the Sunday-school, horrified the large audience present by ringing in a couple of short-skirted ballet-dancers when he should have given a ball-dancing feature. The ungaily among the audience were immensely entertained, but the show was brought to an abrupt termination by some one coming down the lights.

NEWSPAPER publishers throughout the country are gradually and surely finding out the extent and scope of the Anti-Lottery law in their dealings with the Post-Office Department. While the act was made strong enough to catch and hold the big fish the merchants were made fine enough to grill the little ones in their attempts to slip through. In the eyes of Uncle Sam's servants not even religion will operate as a cloak for a device that carries the flavor of gambling.

SOME ladies of Rhinecland have sent a petition to the burgomaster of Mettmann in the following strain: "We, your petitioners, pray that your police officers may visit the inns of this place to prevent our husbands and sons from staying there far into the night, while we, your petitioners, are at home anxiously awaiting them from their daily labors. Furthermore, we are of the opinion that the money squandered there could be more advantageously spent at home. In the hope that your appeal will meet with your sympathy, we remain, with highest esteem—(Signed)—The Wives of Several Mettmann Citizens." It would seem that there are other lands than ours where the tendency of the public resort is toward the destruction of home ties and the reckless waste of substance.

EVIDENCE daily accumulates that business men and firms, particularly prosperous ones, do not carry the astute methods by which they accumulate wealth into the process of its preservation; in other words, the care and manipulation of their resources is left in the hands of more or less irresponsible hirelings without check or safeguard to prevent the juggling of the accounts and the abstraction of funds to the full limit that the business will stand. A case in point is that of Mehl, the trustee-book-keeper of a large St. Louis furniture firm, who, in the course of about seven years has made away with upwards of \$40,000 of the concern's cash. We had almost said that a firm so blind to the financial details of its own business deserves to be bled; but in any event it should teach employers not to let their employees into temptation by relaxing that vigilance in the oversight of their business which is the only safeguard against disaster.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Compiled from Various Sources.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.
Houses, the London border, whose wife and child were found murdered in the locality of South Hampshire, recently, and for whose killing Mrs. Crichton, alias Piercy, Hobbs' mistress, was held by the coroner, has become insane.

A research from the City of Mexico of the 80th says: "There is no additional duty on live-stock other than that which has been in force during the past twelve months. The tariff is being revised, and should a new duty be imposed by the government due notice and time will be given shipper."

On the 31st, after a conference with Governor Hill, Richard Croker and others, Mayor Grant of New York City sent another letter to Secretary Noble demanding a recount of the inhabitants of that city. Governor Hill has his response to make.

The malady from which the King of Holland suffers is entirely of a mental nature. In fact, His Majesty, while enjoying perfect physical health, is insane.

This will of the late Franklin R. Jagers, of Burlington, Ia., has been filed. It bequeaths, among other amounts, \$5,000 to the American Home Missionary Society of New York; \$5,000 to the Iowa Congregational Home Missionary Society; \$5,000 to the Iowa College, at Grinnell, and \$5,000 to the Public Library of Burlington.

At the last day's session of International Bee-Keepers' Association at Kook, Ia., the following officers were elected: P. H. Elwood, Starkville, N. Y., president; E. J. H. Elwood, Starkville, N. Y., vice-president; C. P. Dabert, Hamilton, Ill., secretary; Ernest R. Root, Medina, O., treasurer. Albany, N. Y., was chosen as the place of next meeting.

The contemplated change in the proprietorship of the Cincinnati Commercial Gazette will not be made, the deal being off owing to the objections of Mr. Halstead's partners, who, according to the company's constitution, have a first refusal of the stock of any of the members who wish to retire.

CAPTAIN J. B. McCRAWELL has been detailed by the Commissioner of the General Land Office to proceed to Tucson, Ariz., to testify on behalf of the Government in the case of the United States against Fred Smith, late receiver of the Grand Office, who has been indicted for appropriating public funds to his own use.

The President has issued a proclamation extinguishing the Indian titles to lands situated in South Dakota and Nebraska, in compliance with an act of Congress passed in 1889, and the northern boundary of Nebraska reserving, however, from entry or settlement the tract of land now occupied by the agency and school buildings of the old Ponca Agency.

On the 1st of the Methodist Episcopal Church called on Executive Session by special invitation of President and Mrs. Harrison. They were informally received in the East room by the President and his wife.

On the 1st of the Mississippi Constitutional convention held its labors to a close by adopting, with a few immaterial changes, the Constitution and ordinances as printed. Only nine negative votes were cast. The printed Constitution makes sixty-two printed pages, and is said to be the longest of any of the States except that of Texas.

CRIMES AND CASUALTIES.
On the 30th John A. Varido, aged fourteen years, shot and fatally wounded his younger brother William, aged eight, at their parents' home, No. 34 Park avenue, New York City. The boy says that he did not know the revolver was loaded. He was locked up at the police station.

BRADDOCK, WASHINGTON, colored, of Bradbrock, aged twenty-seven, was instantly killed from the effects of a shock received by catching hold of an electric lamp in a spirit of bravado before his fellow-workmen.

On the 31st the body of Detective James Murphy, of Columbus, O., who so mysteriously disappeared from Ogden City, Utah, some weeks ago, was found near that place.

The steamship Viscaya, from New York for Cuba, with a cargo of general merchandise valued at \$150,000, collided with the schooner Cornelius Hargreave six miles off the coast of Hatteras, N. J., on the evening of the 30th, and in seven minutes both vessels were at the bottom of the sea and eighty-one of the passengers and crew of the Viscaya had perished. Twelve of the crew of seventy-seven clung to the rigging until daylight next morning when they were rescued by the steamer Humboldt, and ten persons from the Hargreave and seven from the Viscaya were afterwards picked up by the schooner Sarah L. Davis.

INSPECTOR JOHN W. BOWMAN of the American Security Company of New York City, on the 30th, shot and killed John W. Yardley at Omaha, Neb., who is wanted in Montreal for embezzlement. Yardley was cashier of the Canadian Express Company, and disappeared in the early part of last September with a large amount of German money.

ELVER, a German life-boatman were drowned, on the 31st, while trying to rescue the crew of the British vessel Erik Berendsen, which was wrecked off Nevis. Only one of the vessel's crew was saved.

On the 1st City Clerk John Roller of Youngstown, O., was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Before sentence was pronounced he made a pathetic plea for mercy, which brought tears to the eyes of every one present. Roller embezzled many thousands of dollars from the city on account of drink.

On the 1st, in a street duel between W. F. Richards, of the Clarkburg (W. Va.) Telegram, and Edward Bassett, son of Horace Bassett, a member of the West Virginia bar, growing out of an attack of the former through his paper on the private character of the father of the latter, Bassett was shot in the back at the base of the spinal column. Richards, at whom the first shot was fired, was saved from a mortal wound by the ball striking a silver dollar in his vest pocket.

At Meadville, Pa., at a late hour on the night of the 31st, two men knelt at the door of the Wells-Fargo Express office, while the agent was making his report. He admitted them, and was at once seized, bound and gagged, and the men secured from the open safe an amount between \$5,000 and \$15,000. They left the agent bound on the office floor, but after a time he succeeded in getting away, and the agent was taken to the hospital, where he is recovering. He admitted them, and was at once seized, bound and gagged, and the men secured from the open safe an amount between \$5,000 and \$15,000.

MISCELLANEOUS.
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At Chester, Pa., a genuine case of leprosy has been discovered.

MILLER's famous picture "The Angels," which was sold at the auction of the Secretary collection in Paris, for \$1,000,000, was sold for \$500,000.

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ILLINOIS STATE NEWS.

A College to Be Removed.

A special committee representing the Northwestern German M. E. Conference held meetings in Galena and decided by a unanimous vote to recommend the removal of the German-English College in Galena to the German-English College at Galena, La. The matter of final location to be determined in favor of the city offering the largest sum in the way of bonus.

The proposition to consolidate the college at Mount Pleasant, Ia., with the German-English College at Galena at some favorable point was first considered by the committee, but a report submitted by the trustees of the Mount Pleasant College would not be prepared to take a definite action as to consolidation or removal for another year, and the subject was therefore dropped. The action of the committee on determining upon the removal of the college from Galena was the result of apathy on the part of citizens in the result of the raising of funds to defray the expense of erecting a new building to the at-present—greatly overcrowded college building.

A Fire Insurance Company Fails.
The Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Chicago has made an assignment to T. G. Hisslin. The liabilities are said to be \$57,600 and \$25,000 of contested claims against the company. The assets are set down at \$187,000, \$100,000 of this amount being in premium notes, and the balance consisting of accounts receivable, notes and mortgages. The cause of the failure was said by Myron H. Beach, the company's attorney, to be the result of the unusually severe losses the company had sustained during the past year.

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HOTELS IN RUINS.

Burning of the Burlington House and Grand Hotel in San Francisco. Together with a Number of Large Business Establishments in the Same Block. Escapes from Death in the Flaming Ruins.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 4.—Shortly before three o'clock yesterday morning fire was discovered under the Burlington House, adjoining the Grand Hotel, in the basement of the store occupied by Hunter Bros. & Co. and spread rapidly through the basement of the block, bounded by Market, New Montgomery, Stevenson and Second streets, and then spread to the first floor, occupied by the Hall Safe and Lock Company, Hill & Goldman, druggists, "Supply Board of Trade," and the Palace Car Company's office. Great Northern Railroad ticket office, and the rooms of the Syndicate Investment Company.

The smoke in the meantime had aroused the inmates of the Grand and the Burlington hotels, and the frighten guests rushed to the sidewalk with what valuables they could carry. The fire soon shot up through the freight elevator in the rear of the Grand Hotel, and a disastrous conflagration was looked for. A general alarm brought by Hunter Bros. & Co. the fire department to the scene. The front of Hunter Bros. & Co.'s store blew out with a loud explosion, and large volumes of smoke poured out almost overwhelming the firemen.

Jacob Underhill, a wine merchant, was overcome by the smoke in the Grand Hotel and was carried out unconscious.

Cashier Weeks, of the Grand, who is crippled, was almost overcome when he was assisted out by the elevator boy. There were several other narrow escapes.

By five o'clock the flames had spread along the eastern end of the block, bursting from the roof and windows. The wind was light, and the efforts of the firemen to confine the fire within the block occupied by the Burlington and Grand were successful.

The Burlington Hotel fell in, carrying off the roof of the Grand Hotel. In a short time the whole interior of the Burlington was a complete wreck, and the front of the Grand on Market street, together with the eastern end, adjoining the Burlington, was also a ruin.

The western end of the Burlington, the floor of the Burlington on Second street, was occupied by C. H. Hill, millinery and novelties; C. P. Downing, proprietary medicines, and E. H. Wardwell, window shades and fixtures. These stores were gutted, as were also Hunter & Co.'s, the Board of Trade rooms, and the Burr Fuld & Sons' place of business on Market street; the Southern Pacific, the Central Pacific, and other ticket offices under the Grand Hotel, which together with Fay's saloon, were damaged by water.

The total loss is estimated at \$1,500,000. The fire is believed to have been due to spontaneous combustion of inflammable material in Hunter & Co.'s place of business.

The Grand Hotel was opened in 1870, and at the time was considered one of the finest hotels in the world. It was four stories high, and had a front of 200 feet on Market street. Two years ago about half of the block was leased to other parties and was called the Burlington Hotel.

The interior of the Grand Hotel is not damaged to the extent at first believed, and it is now stated that the hotel loss will probably not exceed one-third of the first estimate. Mr. Burlington estimates the loss on her furniture and fixtures at \$300,000; insurance, \$100,000. Hunter Bros' loss is \$400,000. The Grand Hotel bar is badly damaged by smoke and water. The fine collections of minerals and exhibits of the State Board of Trade is believed to be an entire loss.

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The Arkansas Traveler, published at Chicago, and edited by Ople P. Reid, the humorist, has been taken possession of by the sheriff on an execution issued for judgments aggregating \$1,500 in favor of the Eagle Paper Company and W. A. Fowler. The reason alleged for the seizure of the paper has fallen off and collections are slow.

AN AWFUL CRASH.
Collision between Passenger and Coal Trains, with Fatal Results.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Nov. 4.—The express train that left New York on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western road at nine o'clock yesterday morning and was due at 5:55 p. m., while descending the steep grade near Rock Cut, three miles from this city, crashed into a coal train standing on a switch, and waiting for the track to be cleared for its passage southward. Both locomotives were completely wrecked, and the baggage and mail cars were crushed to pieces.

Four other cars on the passenger train, four in number, three were thrown from the track, the force of the collision hurling them into a position at right angles with the rails. The single Pullman car, which was next to the mail car kept its place.

Michael Burke, of this city, engineer on the passenger train, and J. W. Doyle, of Great Bend, Pa., engineer on the coal train, were killed outright with their firemen—Jerry Lee, of Great Bend, and Merton Ferner, of Great Bend. The four men were buried under the wreck. Doyle was dug out by the train hands with the assistance of some of the passengers. The other three are still in the wreck.

As a miracle none of the passengers were killed, and only one of them, Mrs. Thomas Corcoran, of No. 21 Myrtle avenue, Chicago, was injured. Mrs. Corcoran was on her way from Cortland. She has two ribs broken her right wrist was dislocated and she is otherwise injured.

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UNCLE EPHRAIM.

My Uncle Ephraim was a man who did not live in vain. And yet he succeeded so I never could explain. By nature he was not endowed with wit to a degree. But folks allowed there nowhere lived a better man than he. He started poor but soon got rich; he went to Congress then. And held that post of honor long against much better men.

He never made a famous speech or did a thing of note. And yet the praise of Uncle Eph welled up from every throat. I recollect I never heard him say a bitter word. He was too kind and too uncomplaining things he heard. He always doffed his hat and spoke to every one he knew. He tipped to poor and rich alike a genial "howdy-do."

He knew the babies, praised their looks, and said: "That child will grow to be a Daniel Webster or our President, I know."

His voice was so mellifluous, his smile so full of mirth. That folks declared he was the best and sweetest man on earth.

Now father was smarter man, and yet he never knew. Such wealth and fame as Uncle Eph. The "destrick" favorite son of the town. He had "convictions," and he was not loath to "speak his mind."

He went his way and said his say as he might see fit. Yes, he was brainy; yet his life was hardly a success. He was too honest and too smart for this vain world I guess! At any rate, I wondered he was unsuccessful.

My Uncle Eph, a duller man, was so revered of men! When Uncle Eph was dying he called me to his bed. And in a tone of confidence bade me to say: "Dear William, ever I seek repose in yonder blissful sphere. I fain would breathe a secret in your adieu."

Strive not to how your way through life—It really doesn't pay; He sure is right of olden battles soaps all you do and say. Herein the royal road to fame and fortune lies! "Put your trust in vinegar—medicines catches flies!"

—Eugene Field, in Chicago News.

A MODERN ROMANCE.

Why Rob Bonnell Proposed to His Partner's Sweetheart.

"A favor?" repeated Rob Bonnell, leaning back in his pine office chair, the arms of which were becoming attenuated from the persistent whittling of his successive occupants, "a dozen if I can."

"I knew you would," declared Henry Dreier, in a tone that if confident was also full of vague relief. "In fact I really wrote Linnet you would go."

"You did, eh?" returned Rob, tilting back and resting on the rear legs of his chair in a dexterously restless manner that would have driven a more impressionable individual than his partner wild with nervousness. "That was awfully kind of you! But where am I to go? And who in the world is Linnet?"

"If you would only appreciate my disposal of me with a little information I couldn't be sufficiently grateful!"

Dreier grinned amiably, and shifted his position in the doorway of the small Western grain office. Like most men slow of speech themselves, he was prompt to appreciate the ready rally of another.

"Why—'Linnet' is," rather awkwardly, "Linnet Joslyn, you know."

"Oh!" in sudden comprehension. "The bride-elect. You never spoke of her otherwise than as Miss Joslyn."

"Didn't I? By the way, I don't believe I ever told you much about her way beyond the fact that she is a kind of distant cousin of mine, and that we are to be married next Thursday."

"No," replied Rob, with a shake of his handsome head. "You never did."

He was a tall, well-knit, athletic-looking fellow. There was in his whole bearing a certain easy grace that irresistibly bespoke good breeding and gentle associations. His dark-skinned, finely-etched face was bright with humor and alert with intelligence. In every sense of the word was Henry Dreier unlike him. He was of medium height and heavily built. His movements were deliberate to clumsiness. His face was large and round, and florid, and fat. His stubby streak of a sandy mustache reminded one of that of Mr. Jefferson Brink, which Martin Chuzzlewit mistook for "a recent trace of gin."

He had a kind of blue eyes, more kindly, indeed, than his general appearance was calculated to inspire. In reality, Mr. Dreier was the least stupid of men. He was most keenly and practically shrewd. His look of bland innocence, almost of helplessness, was a mask with which nature had capriciously endowed him. Those who fancied they could by superior mental activity compass a business or personal victory over Henry Dreier were apt to find themselves confronted with a counter move on the probability of which they had altogether failed to reckon. But he was no deriding that fact. He had not in his composition a single grain of sentiment. And in his life lived would be, as Mme. de Staël would have it, in the life of all men, merely an episode. Of this Rob Bonnell had always felt sure.

but when now his partner went on to speak of his sweetheart in his prosy, matter-of-fact way he was more than ever convinced he was correct in his deductions.

"She's an Eastern girl. Her people were wealthy. She was educated with the greatest care. She grew up thinking life was to be for her just a long procession of pleasures. Well, one day her father went all to pieces on the Board of Trade. The shock killed him. His wife didn't last for many weeks after him, and then Linnet found she must either work or starve. The former seemed, as you may suppose, the more acceptable alternative. She wrote to a cousin of her father who had a ranch out there, asking him if she could secure employment teaching in this part of the world. There was a chance of her obtaining the district school, so he sent her word to come. She did so. She was too late, however, as the school had given the place to an excellent applicant. Linnet had not enough money to take her home again, so she was obliged to remain at Blatchford's. Know them?"

"No, Rob didn't know them."

"Well, they live over by Concordia. They are the relatives of Linnet's I mentioned. Mean? You may bank on that. They think more of a nickel than I do of a dollar; and they've more dollars than I have. They told Linnet she could do the housework for her board, and the school of

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Look out for the "I told you so" fel-
low, and kill him on sight.

If love be blind, as they say he is,
why is it that the feminine portion of
humanity devote so much time and
trouble to keeping up with the new
fashions.

When office-holders do not contri-
bute money and time to help the party
that put them in office the political
millenium will have arrived. It hasn't
got here yet brethren.

PROFESSIONAL talking politicians,
finding themselves out in the cold,
may, if they can furnish satisfactory
financial security, earn big money this
winter by soliciting subscriptions to
this paper.

We've had enough politics for
awhile—a long while. Now let us
buckle down to business in order that
the Christmas stockings of our loved
ones may not be empty when they
ought to be full.

NEW YORK CITY has had a novel
political campaign, in which nearly
all the preachers took more or less
prominent parts. It may be all right,
but some how or other we have never
associated religion and politics to-
gether.

Gov. CAMPBELL has proven himself
to be as forceful, as the large gentle-
man from the small state, who pro-
sides over the U. S. House of Repre-
sentatives, has ever been. Whether
agreeing with them or not everyone
must acknowledge that both of them
are well supplied with American
"grit," and that right or wrong they
have on occasions displayed "the
courage of their convictions."

—Subscribe for THE NEWS.

The increase prices of champagne
and imported cigars are not worrying
the newspaper men of this section
half as much as the thoughts of their
wives and daughters being compelled
to worry through this winter without
saskin saques.

Is the new tariff law responsible for
the combine between all the great
Express companies of the country for
the purpose of adding about twenty-
five per cent to their freight tariff?
Or have the Express magnates adopted
the motto of the late Commodore
Vanderbilt—the public be? In either
case the public suffers, and it seems to
us that it is an arbitrary and unne-
cessary proceeding on the part of the
wealthy Express companies, and one
that should cause congress to con-
sider the feasibility of adding to our
present postal facilities some thing on
the order of the English "parcel post,"
which has for several years been a
popular and paying feature of the
English postoffice department. At
present, parcels weighing over four
pounds, except a single book, cannot be
sent through our mails. Why not try
the experiment of removing this
weight limit.

Do the newspapers that are trying
to raise doubt of the validity of the
new tariff law realize what they are
doing? If the new tariff law were
declared void by the U. S. Supreme
Court it would bring about a compli-
cation in the business centers of the
country that could hardly fail to pre-
cipitate a financial panic that would
spread disaster throughout our now
prosperous country. Surely these
thoughtless editors do not wish to
bring about such a result. Even al-
lowing that the omission of a para-
graph from the bill signed by the
President is a legal defect, which we
are not disposed to do, it is the duty
of every man who has the welfare of the
country at heart to uphold the new
law until congress has had an oppor-
tunity to remedy the defect. Toraise
doubts in the minds of business men,
is to create an uncertainty in business
affairs and uncertainty is fatal to con-
fidence without which commerce and
trade would languish and die. It is
better, in a business sense, to know
that the most obnoxious law will be
enforced for the next five years than
to be uncertain what the law will be.

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his father, near Pearl, recently, was
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Dara are making a race track near the
Collins school house, three and a half
miles southeast of Barry."

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

The Plainville Observer has been en-
larged to a six-column quarto.
M. A. Spink, a Jacksonville insur-
ance man, was found dead in bed.
A Perry man advertises to sell "two
cows giving milk four and five years
old."

The wife of Prof. Creekmur, of
Camp Point, died of consumption last
week.
Chas. Caughlan, the junior of the
Plainville Observer, was married last
week.

There are, according to count, 36
widows, 30 old maids, 13 widowers and
8 old bachelors in Clayton.

A corn shucker has been introduced
by a Clayton man. It shucks 250 bush-
els in one day, and costs \$300.

W. W. and Chas Smith have pur-
chased an interest in the Perry flour
mill. They paid \$3,000 for their share.

The Litchfield, Carrollton & Western
railroad is preparing to build a bridge
across the Illinois river at Kampsville.
A frightened pheasant flew against
and broke a sixty-dollar plate glass
window in the Lewistown postoffice
building.

Peoria has been made a port of entry
and will have a custom house and of-
ficers. This comes from its being situ-
ated on the raging Illinois.

The parties who secured the old
Pittsfield fair grounds by mortgage
foreclosure are tearing down the
buildings and selling the lumber.

Miss Flora Smith, who had her ankle
broken by jumping from a buggy in a
runaway near Pittsfield, is improving
and the leg will probably not need am-
putation.

The employees of the fruit evaporator
at Griggsville struck for higher wages
last week. Work was suspended a day
until a new crew was found and busi-
ness proceeded.

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Half of the business portion of Vir-
den was burned Saturday morning on
the 18th instant. Twelve stores were
destroyed. The town has no fire de-
partment.

CA neighbor truthfully says that
"many girls get married because their
folks are not able to keep them." Many
of them after they get married find
their husbands in the same fix.

A pearl recently found in the Peca-
tonica river, near Galena, Ill., sold
Wednesday for \$5000. The pearl hunters
won't give the fish in our inland
rivers any rest now till the frost comes.

The Pittsfield Banner has found a
lady 75 years of age in that town who
never seen a railroad train nor attend-
ed a fair or circus, and has not been in
a store for thirty years. We hope the
lady is not blind.

Sig. Guidolli, of Lucca, Italy, has
just perfected a gun that shoots sixty-
four times a minute. This should
furnish the hunter with "a fair chance"
in case he comes in proximity with a
large flock of ducks.

The child of Miss Lillie D. Booth,
who shot and killed Dan Price at
Quincy and then accidentally shot her-
self, will inherit a farm worth \$10,000
to \$12,000 and money amounting to
\$1,000. By the time she is 21 years of
age an independent fortune will be at
her command.

John Woods was thrown from his
wagon and in front of an approaching
train near Cuba, his neck across one
rail and his feet across the opposite.
As it was impossible to check the train,
the unfortunate man met with a hor-
rible death, the wheels of the engine
almost severing his head and feet from
his body.

A family by the name of Perkins,
consisting of wife and four children,
passed through Atchison, Kan., the
other day, bound for Brown county,
Ill. The man had lost one eye and
left arm, one of the children had but
one leg, another one was blind and one
sick. He had \$5 in cash, a plug of to-
bacco, a clay pipe, a yellow dog, and
altogether was as happy and contented
as if he owned half the state.—
Whig.

Among the many fishing parties that
went to the river last week was one
which came very near ending in a sad
tragedy. This party was made up
principally of young men from town.
From the time of leaving home Will
Curry seemed very melancholy and

dependent, but none of his compan-
ions thought of him doing anything
desperate and did not pay much atten-
tion to his actions. On Tuesday fol-
lowing their arrival at the hunting
grounds he strolled a short distance
from camp. Soon after Elmer Smith,
who was near by, was startled by the
report of a gun and was horrified to
find Mr. Curry attempting to reload
his gun after having made an unsuccess-
ful attempt to shoot himself. Mr. Smith
rushed to him and succeeded in
getting possession of the gun and thus
averted what might have been the sad
ending of Will Curry. Mr. Smith
brought Mr. Curry into camp and ar-
rangements were at once made for
getting home, all keeping a vigilant watch
upon Mr. Curry that he might not
again make an attempt upon his life.
Wednesday morning he was taken to
Meredosia, where he was met by his
brother Ben, who took him home on
the afternoon freight. Since his re-
turn home Mr. Curry has become more
reconciled and his many friends are
hoping he will be himself again before
long. It is surmised the trouble was
brought on by coolness shown him by
one of Naples' fair daughters.—Clay-
ton correspondent to Camp Point
Journal.

Chenoweth's Case.

Edward Thompson, brother of Harry
Thompson, has received a letter from
State's Attorney Kelly, of Scott
county, which states that on Tuesday,
Oct. 30th, the grand jury found a true
bill against Ed Chenoweth, charging
him with murder, and that the
trial would probably come off Tuesday
of this week. Chenoweth's attorneys
are Messrs. Riggs and Warren. Mr.
Kelly says he would like to have State's
Attorney Charles A. Barnes, of this
city, to assist him in the prosecution,
and as he will not return to Winches-
ter before Wednesday, it is possible
that the Chenoweth case will not come
up before Friday, there being several
criminal cases set in advance of it.—
Jacksonville Courier.

Thirty Cases Reported Up to Date.

One new case of scarlet fever was re-
ported yesterday, and two new cases
were reported this morning. This
makes 30 cases that have been re-
ported thus far. Several of the 30 cases are
convalescent. All of the others, with
the exception of two or three, are mild.
—Quincy Journal.

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—Oats, 40c.
—Corn, 40c.
—Meal, 80c.
—Eggs, 16c.
—Wheat, 90c.

—Flour, \$1.25.
—Butter, 12c.
—Bran, 70c. cwt.
—Coarse Meal, 60c.
—Shipstuffs, 90c. cwt.

—Togs, \$3.50.
—Potatoes, \$1, to \$1.20.
—Sweet Potatoes, \$1.00.
—Mixed Feed, 75c. cwt.

—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
—Al Geiss spent Sunday with his
parents.

Dry goods in all styles at J. H. Car-
ver's.

—Henry Geiss was in Mt. Sterling
Saturday.

—Willie Carver spent Saturday and
Sunday in Oxville.

New millinery goods received to-day
at Mrs. M. E. Geiss's.

—Henry Oaks, of Bluffs, was here
one day last week.

All-wool red flannels at 20c per yard.
J. H. CARVER.

—The Misses Blazdale returned to
their home in Quincy Monday.

—Charlie Hauser and family visited
in Naples a few days last week.

Go to J. H. Carver's for your notions
and dry goods.

All wool red flannel 18-cents at the
cheap cash store of M. E. Geiss.

—Joel Turnham and wife have re-
turned from their trip to the West.

All linen collars 10 cents.
J. H. CARVER.

—Milo Ripley and M. S. Lewinson,
took in the sights of Quincy on Tues-
day.

Four pounds best rio roast coffee for
\$1. at the cash store of M. E. Geiss.

—Ed Kearns and Miss Amanda
Reed, of Naples, visited here on Mon-
day.

Go to J. H. Carver's for all wool
blankets.

—J. C. Lewis and family, of Bluffs,
visited with Dr. Ray and family, Sun-
day.

White shirts at fifty cents.
J. H. CARVER.

—Remember the dance at Einst-
mans Hall Thursday evening. Tick-
ets 75 cents.

For gents' underwear go to the cash
store of M. E. Geiss.

—Frank Wilson, Horace Fugate and
Charlie Schroll took in the sights at
Naples Sunday.

Special sale on blankets this week.
J. H. CARVER.

—The Lotus has gone into winter
quarters at Quincy. She will return
next summer.

New raisins and currents at the
cheap cash store of M. E. Geiss.

—Capt. Harper, of Naples, called on
us Saturday and had his name enroll-
ed on our books.

Boys suits at \$1.00—new goods at
that—at J. H. CARVER'S.

—Misses Mehan and Richards, of
Bluffs, visited Miss Mary Cody Satur-
day and Sunday.

Go to J. H. Carver's for great bar-
gains.

—Pete Brackenberry has been trim-
ming the trees on the east side of J.
H. Carver's store.

—Do you read your neighbors News?
If so don't do it, but call and subscribe
for one of your own.

Go to M. E. Geiss or Keener & Pike
and buy a sack of the celebrated Gold
Standard flour.

—Minor Hale, Ot Miller, and several
others attended the dance at Naples
Thursday night.

See my line of ladies plush cloaks
and save money. J. H. CARVER.

—John Thomas and wife, of Naples,
visited their daughter, Mrs. Lawson,
Saturday and Sunday.

Have you tried the Gold Standard
flour? For sale by M. E. Geiss and
Keener & Pike.

—Lawson Metz, of Chambersburg,
invaded our sanctum Monday, and
left us an order for election tickets.

D. Watts has received one of the
finest and most complete lines of jew-
elry, watches and clocks ever shown
in Meredosia. Call and inspect them.

—Messadmes Anson Castle and C. A.
Linkins, of Naples, spent a day with
Mrs. William Smithson last week.

Go to J. H. Carver for a fine hat.
—Mrs. Bartell and daughter, Miss
Calle Moore, John Bartell and Ben-
J. Pendleton, of Naples, were on busi-
ness here last week.

Gold Standard flour for sale at M. E.
Geiss and Keener & Pike.

—The Golden Advance has been
changed to an eight-column folio.
Milt promises he will purchase a big-
ger press as soon as possible and en-
large his paper. Success to you,
Milt.

Try a sack of our Gold Standard
flour. Kept by M. E. Geiss and Keener
& Pike. CLAYTON MILLING CO.

—We have just received a large stock
of note and letter heads, envelopes,
statements, bill heads, tags, etc. Call
and examine our stock and get our
prices. We guarantee first-class work
or no pay.

I am now prepared to repair watches
and jewelry. N. HARRIS.

—Our old friend Henry Metz, of
Chambersburg, sent to this office by
his lovely daughter Miss Myrtle on
Saturday a turkey that weighed 8
pounds. Mr. M. and his daughter
accept our thanks for same. If any
person can beat this turkey, we would
like for them to bring them in.—Ver-
sailles Enterprise.

Ladies, you will find it to your in-
terest to see my large stock of millin-
ery, one door south of Keener & Pike's
office. MAUD M. JACQUES.

—The News office has just received
an elegant line of samples of wedding
cards, ball programs and invitation.
All of the latest styles and the finest
ever shown in Meredosia. We are
prepared to furnish such goods on the
shortest possible notice. When want-
ing anything in the above line give us
a call.

Ladies go to J. H. Carver's and see a
line of fine plush jackets.

—Bro. Fields says in a local in his
paper—the Versailles Enterprise—
"We need money." It has been so long
since Bro. F. has had any money, he
has forgotten how to spell the word.—
Griggsville Press.

Bro. Fields has had an attack of the grippe which
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—The ferry boys had quite an excit-
ing time on the other side of the river,
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TALMAGE'S SERMON.

Sixth Discourse of the Series on the Holy Land.

A Spring Morning in Jerusalem—Wonderful Specimens of the Builders' Art—A Visit to Bethlehem, the Cradle of a King.

Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage delivered the sixth of his series of discourses on the Holy Land in Brooklyn and New York City, taking for his text:

I made me great works, I builded me houses, I planted me vineyards, I made me gardens and orchards, and I planted trees in them of all kinds of fruit: I made me pools of water to water therewith the wood that bringeth forth trees.—Ecclesiastes, II, 4-6.

A spring morning and before breakfast at Jerusalem. A King with robes snowy white in chariot decked with gold, drawn by eight horses, high-mettled, and housings as brilliant as if scallied out of the very sunrise, and like the winds for speed, followed by a regiment of archers on horseback with hand on gilded bow, and arrows with steel points flashing in the sun, clad from head to foot in Tyrian purple, and black hair sprinkled with gold-dust, all dashing down the road, the horses at full run, the reins loose on their necks, and the crack of whips, and the halloo of the reckless cavalier putting the miles at defiance. Who is that? What is that? King Solomon taking an outing before breakfast, from Jerusalem to his gardens, and parks, and orchards, and towards Hebron. What a contrast between that and myself on that very road one morning, last December, going afoot, for our plain vehicle turned back for photographic apparatus forgotten, we on the way to find what is called Solomon's Pools, the ancient water-works of Jerusalem, and the gardens of a King nearly three thousand years ago. We cross the aqueduct again and again, and here we are at the three great reservoirs, not ruins of reservoir, but the reservoirs themselves. All round us built these millenniums ago for the purpose of catching the mountain streams and passing them to Jerusalem to slake the thirst of the city, and also to irrigate the most glorious range of gardens that ever bloomed with all colors of blossom, and all varieties of Solomon was the greatest horticulturist, the greatest botanist, the greatest ornithologist, the greatest capitalist and the greatest scientist of his century.

Come over the piles of gray rock, and here we are at the first of the three great levels, the base of the top reservoir higher than the top of the second, the base of the second reservoir higher than the top of the third, so arranged that the waters gathered from several sources above shall descend from basin to basin, the sediment of the water deposited in each of the three, so that by the time it gets down to the aqueduct which is to take it to Jerusalem it has had three filterings, and is as pure as the clouds in heaven. Wonderful specimens of masonry are these three reservoirs. The white cement fastening the blocks of stone together is now just as when the trowels three thousand years ago smoothed the layers. The highest reservoir, three hundred and eighty by two hundred and twenty feet; the second, four hundred and twenty-three by one hundred and sixty; and the lowest reservoir five hundred and eighty-nine by one hundred and sixty-nine; and deep enough, and wide enough, and mighty enough to float an ocean steamer.

On that December morning we saw the waters rolling down from reservoir to reservoir, and can well understand how in this neighborhood the imperial gardens were one great blossom, and the orchard one great bush of fruit, and that Solomon, in his palace writing the Song of Songs, and Ecclesiastes, may have been drawing illustrations from what he had seen that very morning in the royal gardens when he alluded to molons, and mandrakes, and apriots, and grapes, and pomegranates, and figs, and pistachios, and cinnamon, and calamus, and camphire, and "apple trees among the trees of the wood," and the almond tree as flourishing, and to myrrh and frankincense, and represented Christ as "gone down into His gardens, and the beds of spices to feed in the gardens, and to gather lilies," and to "eyes like fish pools," and to the voice of the turtle dove as heard in the land. I think it was when Solomon was showing the Queen of Sheba through these gardens that the Bible says of her: "There remained no more spirits in her." She gave up.

But all this splendor did not make Solomon happy. One day, after getting back from his morning ride, and before the horses had yet been cooled off and rubbed down by the royal equerry, Solomon wrote the memorable words, following my text, like a dirge played after a grand march, "Behold all was vanity and vexation of spirit, and there was no profit under the sun." In other words: "It don't pay!" Would God that we all might learn the lesson that this "world can not produce happiness!" At Marcellus there was a castle at the house on high ground crowned with all that grove and garden can do, and the whole place looks out upon an enchanting landscape as the world holds, water and hill clasping hands in perfect bewitchment of scenery, but the owner of that place is totally blind, and to him all this goes

for nothing, illustrating the truth that, whether one be physically or morally blind, brilliancy of surrounding can not give satisfaction. But tradition says that when the "wise men of the East" were being guided by the star on the way to Bethlehem, they, for a little while, lost sight of that star, and in despair and exhaustion came to a well to drink, when, looking down into the well, they saw the star reflected in the water, and that cheered them, and they resumed their journey, and I have the notion that though grandeur and pomp of surroundings may not afford peace, at the well of God's consolation, close by, you may find happiness, and the plainest cup at the well of salvation may hold the brightest star that ever shone from the heavens.

Although these Solomon gardens are in ruins, there are now growing there flowers that are to be found nowhere else in the Holy Land. How do we account for that? Solomon sent out his ships and robbed the gardens of the whole earth for flowers and planted those exotics here, and these particular flowers are direct descendants of the foreign plants he imported. Mr. Meville, a Christian Israelite, on the very site of these royal gardens, has in our day, by putting in his spade, demonstrated that the ground is only waiting for the right cult to yield as much luxuriance and splendor eighteen hundred years after Christ, as it yielded to Solomon one thousand years before Christ. So all Palestine is waiting to become the richest scene of horticulture, arboriculture and agriculture.

We are on this December afternoon on the way to the cradle of Him who called Himself greater than Solomon. We are coming upon the chief cradle of all the world, not lined with satin, but strewn with straw, not sheltered by a palace, but covered by a barn, not presided over by a Princess, but hovered over by a peasant girl; yet a cradle the canopy of which is angelic wings, and the lullaby of which is the first Christmas carol ever sung, and from which all the events of the future have must take date as being B. C. or A. D.—before Christ or after Christ. Ah eternity past occupied in getting ready for this cradle, and all eternity to come to be employed in celebrating its consequences.

I said to the tourist companies planning our Oriental journey: "Put us in Bethlehem in December, the place and the month of our Lord's birth," and we had our wish. I am the only man who has ever attempted to tell how Bethlehem looked at the season Jesus was born. Tourists and writers are there in February, or March, or April, when the valleys are an embowered sheet of wild flowers, and anemones and crocuses are flushed as though from attempting to climb the steep, and lark and bullfinch are flooding the air with bird orchestra. But I was there in December, a winter month, the barren beach between the two oceans of redolence. I was told I must not expect as that season, told so before I started, told so in Egypt; the books told me so; all travelers that I consulted about it told me so. But I was determined to see Bethlehem the same month in which Jesus arrived, and nothing could dissuade me. Was I not right in wanting to know how the Holy Land looked when Jesus came to it? He did not land when flowers and song. When the angels chanted on the famous birthnight, all the fields of Palestine were silent. The glowing skies were answered by gray rocks. As Bethlehem stood against a black wintry sky, I climbed up to it, as through a bleak, wintry sky Jesus descended upon it. His way down was from warmth to chill, from bloom to barrenness, from over-lavishing June to desolate December. If I were going to Palestine as a botanist, and to study the flora of the land, I would go in March; but I went as a minister of Christ to study Jesus, and so I went in December. I wanted to see how the world's front door looked when the heavenly stranger entered it.

The town of Bethlehem, to my surprise, is in the shape of a horseshoe, the houses extending clear on to the prongs of the horseshoe. The whole scene more rough and rude than can be imagined. Verily, Christ did not choose a soft, genial place in which to be born. The gate through which our Lord entered this world was a gate of steel, a hard, cold gate, and the gate through which He departed was a swing-gate of sharpened spears. We enter a gloomy church built by Constantine over the place in which Jesus was born. Fifteen lamps burning day and night, and from century to century, light our way to the spot which all authorities, Christian and Jew and Mohammedan, agree upon as being the place of our Saviour's birth, and covered by a marble slab marked by silver stars from Vienna and the words: "Here Jesus Christ was born of the Virgin Mary." But standing there, I thought, though this is the place of the nativity, how different the surroundings of the wintry night in which Jesus came! At that time it was a khan, a cattle pen. I visited one of these khans now standing and looking just as in Christ's time. We rode in under the arched entrance and dismounted. We found the building of stone and around an open square without roof. The building is more than two thousand years old. It is two stories high. In the center are camels, horses and mules. Caravans halt here for the night, or during a long storm. The open square is large enough to accommodate a whole herd of cattle, a flock of sheep, or caravan of camels. The

neighboring Bedouins here find a market for their hay, straw and manure. Out of this center there are twelve roads for human habitation. The only light is from the "wise men of the East" of these rooms and found a woman cooking the evening meal. There were six cows in the same room. On a little elevation there was some straw where the people sat and slept when they wished to rest. It was in a room similar to that our Lord was born.

This was the cradle of a King and yet what cradle ever held so much? Civilization! Liberty! Redemption! Your pardon and mine! Your peace and mine! You Heaven and mine! Cradle of universes! Cradle of a God! The gardens of Solomon we visited this morning were only a type of what all the world will be when this illustrious personage now born shall have completed His mission. The horse of finest limb and grayest champion of his and sublimest arch of neck that ever brought Solomon down to these adjoining gardens was but a poor type of the horse upon which this Conqueror, born in the barn, shall ride, when, according to apocalyptic vision, the "armies of Heaven shall follow Him on white horses." The waters that rush down these hills into yonder three great reservoirs of rock, and then pour in marvelous aqueduct into Jerusalem till the brazen sea is full, and the baths are full, and Sileam is full, are only a prelude to the rivers of the delight which, as the result of this great One's coming, shall roll on to the slaking of the thirst of all nations. The palace of Lebanon cadet from which the imperial cavalier passed out in the early morning and to which it returned with evening cloak, and jingling harness, and lathered sides, is but a poor type of the architecture compared with the House of Many Mansions into which this One born this winter month on these bleak heights shall conduct us when our sins are all pardoned, our battles all fought, our tears all wiped, our work all done. Standing here at Bethlehem, do you not see that the most honored thing in all the earth is the cradle? To what else did loomed star every point? To what else did Heaven lower balconies of light filled with chanting immortals? The way the cradle rocks is the lullaby of the world. God bless the mother all the world over. The cradle decides the destinies of nations. In ten thousand of them, at this moment, the hands that will yet give benediction of mercy or hurl bolts of doom, the feet that will mount the steps toward the throne or the blasted way, the lips that will pray or blaspheme.

Oh the cradle! It is more tremendous than the grave. Where are most of the leaders of the twentieth century to be found? No. Are they on thrones? No. In forums? No. In pulpits? No. In forums? No. In counting houses? No. They are in the cradle. The most tremendous thing in the universe, and next to God, is to be a mother. As Shakespeare said: "Give me a generation of Christian mothers, and I will change the whole phase of society in twelve months." Oh, the cradle! Forget not the one in which you were rocked. Though old and worn out, that cradle may be standing in attic, and forget not the foot that swayed it, the lips that sang to it, the hands that dropped over it, the faith in God that made way for it. The boy Walter Scott did well when he spent the first five guineas piece he ever earned as a present to his mother.

Disparage not the cradle, though it may, like the one my requestor has, have been a cradle in a barn, for I think it was a Christian cradle. That was a great cradle in which Martin Luther lay, for from it came forth the reformation of the sixteenth century. That was a great cradle in which John Howard lay, for from it came forth the great O'Connell lay, for from it came forth an eloquence that will be inspiring while men have eyes to read, or ears to hear. That was a great cradle in which Washington lay, for from it came forth the happy deliverance of a nation. That was a great cradle in which John Howard lay, for from it came forth a mercy that will not cease until the last dungeon gets the Bible, and light, and fresh air. Great cradles in which the John Wesleys, and the John Knoxes, and the John Masons lay, for from them came forth all our religious civilization. But the greatest cradle in which child ever slept, or woke, laughed, or cried, was the cradle over which Mary bent, and to which the wise men brought frankincense, and upon which the Heavens dropped song. Had there been no manger, there had been no cross. Had there been no Bethlehem, there had been no Golgotha. Had there been no incarnation, there had been no ascension. Had there been no star, there had been no cross.

A plain man passing a fortress saw a Russian soldier on guard, a terribly cold night, and took off his coat and gave it to the soldier, saying: "I will soon be home and warm and you will be out here all night." So the soldier wrapped himself in the borrowed coat. The plain man who was dying, and in his dream saw Christ and said to Him: "You have got my coat on." "Yes," said Christ, "this is the one you lent me on that cold night by the fortress. I was naked, and you clothed Me." Something for Christ! By the memories of Bethlehem I adjure you!

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SCHOOL AND CHURCH.

Universities are the natural centers of intellectual movements. Cardinal Newman.

A plumber in England has won the university extension prize for an essay on English poetry.

The Italian mission in Philadelphia now issues a paper entitled *Il Roma*, mostly printed in the Italian language.

Over 4,000 children were refused admission to the public schools of Philadelphia because of the lack of accommodations.

The total number of Congregational churches and mission stations in England and Wales is 4,585, which provide over 1,000,000 sittings.

The Christian church (Disciples) in Ohio has 480 congregations and a membership of 54,970. The church property of the denomination is valued at \$1,400,450.

The higher education of women is strongly advocated in Australia. The University of Melbourne not only receives female students, but admits them to the same privileges as the males, among which are the free scholarships.

Prof. T. G. Darling, of Auburn Seminary, has declined the call to the McCormick Seminary, and accepted the exchange proposed by the Auburn directors. He will hence succeed the late Dr. Welch in the chair of Christian theology.

The debt of the British Baptist Missionary Society, which a short time ago amounted to \$2,472, has been reduced to \$226. It is suggested that the approaching centenary of the society should be celebrated by raising \$100,000 to be employed in foreign mission work.

There are 147,016 children in the municipal or State schools of Paris; 61,394 in schools directed by religious orders; and 38,000 in free day schools where religious instruction is given. It is also stated that attendance at municipal schools has increased by only about 700 in the last three years. The annual expenditures for the municipal schools is \$6,500,000 francs.

The dean of Christ Church, Oxford, lately talked very bluntly to some of the young academics who are among the students and have been going a fast pace. The following is a specimen of his remarks: "You consider that because you are the sons of nobility you are entitled to extravagant liberty, to be distended to vulgar license. You are laboring under a delusion from which you may have a very rude awakening. This college is not intended for such well-born dunces as you."

The statistical exhibit, just issued, of the Evangelical Association (a German Methodist church) shows that there are now 8,045 churches valued at \$5,047,832; 148,508 members, and 1,237 itinerant preachers. As indications of the effect of the troubles the denomination has been afflicted with the past year, there is a decrease of nearly 4,000 in the number returned as newly converted, and of 1,801 in the number returned as newly received. There is also a decrease of nearly 100 in the collection for the Missionary Society and a small falling off in the other collections.

HIS HONOR'S EDICT.

At Bonaparte's Hawthorn Grove of Bawling Green and People.

Rural and even suburban mayors in France are frequently responsible for the issue of remarkable edicts. A local magistrate in a commune of the Department of the Seine et Oise, however, has distinguished the administrative feats of a scribbled order which have been accomplished by any of his colleagues of recent years.

It appears that a wealthy Parisian has a splendid grove, in which red hares throve predominate, on his property in the district ruled over by the mayor in question.

For a long time the shrub has been famous in all the country round, and the owner was exceedingly proud of it. Lately, however, he received a long letter from the worthy official of the locality setting forth that the lovely hawthorn exercised a baleful effect on the crops of all the farmers within ten miles of it. Nothing has prospered in its vicinity, and the mayor also feared that the people under his high control were bewitched by the obnoxious blossoms.

Accordingly he and his municipal council, in full meeting assembled, had determined to call upon the owners of the hawthorn to pull it up root and branch, otherwise the local custodian of public order, or rural dogberry, would be turned loose, and the baleful grove would disappear promptly. Of course, at the first approach of his village foe the Parisian will begin legal proceedings against him, the mayor and the municipal council, and the alleged sinister influence of the harmless hawthorn will have to be tested in a court of law. —London Telegraph.

The Critic says that a scholarly Philadelphia journalist writes to it to say: "Would it not be interesting to find if any one writes Newman? He is undoubtedly the first stylist of the century, but I never meet any one who reads him, and I do not believe there is an author of his rank so little read in the libraries." Whether Newman is read by journalists, or widely read by any class, we can not say, but that he is deeply read by those qualified to appreciate him we know to be true among our own circle of acquaintance, and suspect to be the case generally.

A LOST ELEPHANT.

Street Search to Recover the Missing Member.

"You wouldn't think that an elephant could get lost in the United States, would you?" asked Agent McCadden of the Forepaugh show.

"Well, one did go astray," he continued, "and we had mighty hard work to find it. Adam Forepaugh had a habit of letting out his surplus animals to smaller shows, and when he died his executors had a queer time tracing up his assets and making good the delivery of animals to the firm to which he sold the show."

"After considerable trouble all the animals were accounted for but one trick elephant named Empress, of whom the executors could get no trace. I received a letter from them one day with a special commission to hunt up the missing animal."

"Empress was worth \$2,000 at a low estimate, and was really of much more value to a show which understood well how to exhibit her and make use of her tricks. After a careful search through the contracts it was ascertained that Empress had been let to a small show which started on a Western tour. With this clue I traced the show through the West and back toward the East until it reached a spot in the wilds of West Virginia."

"There it seemed suddenly to sink out of sight, and I was at a loss to know whether the animals were roaming over the hills and mountains, or drowned in the Ohio river."

"Investigation revealed, however, that the undulating country had been too much for the show. The horses had become exhausted by climbing steep hills, fording streams, and dragging heavy wagons over soft roads. The proprietor was unable to keep up with his advertised dates, and his revenue being cut off, the show bustled."

"Then it was found by inquiry in the sparse settlements that Empress had been driven to the Ohio river and shipped up stream to Pittsburgh. The elephant consumed about \$10 worth of food daily, and she was rapidly making her temporary keeper poorer. But at Pittsburgh he pulled together all his resources and established a low-priced entertainment at East Liberty, where the big beast was made to do good service. There she was recently found, gaunt and lean. She will soon be turned over to Mr. Forepaugh's successors, who will see that her voracious appetite is appeased." —Philadelphia News.

ON BOARD THE CHICAGO.

Description of an Early Morning Scene on a New-Ship at Sea.

Rufus F. Zogbaum, in Scribner's, writes entertainingly of "Uncle Sam's Blue-Jackets." He thus describes the waking-up of the crew of the Chicago: "Boat's mate there! Call all hands! Call in the deck lookouts! Lay aloft the lookout to the masthead! The orders follow in rapid succession. 'Turn off the spar-deck circuit!' and the great red and green lights on the port and starboard sides of the bridge and the light at the masthead are extinguished by the touch of a button in the 'dynamometer' below, while a sailor goes 'stripping aloft' to the foretopmast yard simultaneously with a long-drawn, shrill whistle of the boatwain's pipe, echoed on the gun-deck by others, and the hoarse cry of the boatwain's mates calling: 'A-all hands! Up all hands!' The great ship is waking, and out of the hatches the men come stumbling one after the other—sailors, apprentice boys, firemen, marines, cooks and 'all hands'—each with a hammock neatly rolled ready to be placed in the nettings in the bulwarks. Bewary, yawning, half-dressed fellows, most of them; regardless of the cold wind blowing and the wet decks, they run nimbly to their appointed stations, some clambering up and opening the nettings, while the others pitch their hammocks in and shove them away and out of sight for the day. As we lean over the rail now and look down the scene is an animated one. The deck forward is swarming with men, and 'Jackie' is making his morning toilet and preparing for breakfast and the day's routine. See that gigantic young coxswain ponder as he scours his well-combed neck and face into the cold water in the bucket before him, spluttering and blowing away like a grampus, then rubbing and polishing his muscular, sunburned neck and broad white back and hairy chest with his rough, parti-colored towel. With his little circular mirror perched on a coil of rope another sailorman is carefully parting his hair, curly locks, while a shipmate looks over his shoulder and gives a final twist to his black silk neckerchief, and a marine brushes his coat and trousers sofly to himself every while. The steam from the galleys is rising out of the hatches, and with it mingled, it must be confessed, with a smell of oil and grease from the engines—an odor of hot coffee and broiling bacon, and the boatwain's whistle is heard again piping to breakfast."

"Pretty Daughter—'Ma, may I go boating?' 'Fond Mother—'Indeed you shall.' The idea 'Who invited you?' Daughter—'Mr. Bliffen.' 'Fond Mother—'Oh! Yes, you may go with Mr. Bliffen. He has a cork log, and if the boat upsets just you hang onto that.'—Good News.

What was hailed as one of the shortest wills on record was offered for probate some time ago in Waterbury. It read: "I give all my property to F. W. Johnson." But short as it was the relations of the deceased found enough in it to break."

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our regular correspondence.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7, 1890.

When! What a landslide it was. You can hear nothing else but election talk here just now. The democrats are naturally loud in their demonstrations of joy, for to tell the truth they are even more astonished at the result than are the republicans. They expected to win the House by a small majority, but their most sanguine rainbow chaser had no idea of the tidal wave that went their way. Of course, there are now plenty of democrats who with a straight face will tell you that they expected the result to be just what it was, but they didn't all the same. The republicans attempt to make the best of a bad thing by talking of "off year," "usual result," "always to be expected," etc., but they cannot hide the effect of their fright—you can see it in their faces. The best informed among them expected to lose the House by a small majority, but the man who would have told them Monday night what the result would really be would have been considered by them a fit subject for the insane asylum.

What makes the republicans take their severe drubbing so much to heart is, that they themselves are responsible for having started early in the fight that this was a National campaign and that its result would show whether the people condemned or approved of the administration and the republican majority in Congress. Now the democrats are geying them unmercifully and reminding them of all their foolish talk about the National campaign.

There is one republican who, if appearances indicate his feelings, is not cast down by the result of the elections, that is Secretary Blaine. I saw him this morning and he was in the very best of humors, and I am told that he remarked to a friend that it was no more than he expected. Two things which were potent issues in the fight just ended—the McKinley tariff law and the federal election bill—both of which proved to be heavy burdens to the republican party were opposed by Mr. Blaine, and the knowledge of this is probably what makes that gentleman so good natured in the face of the defeat of his party. The fact that his rival, Speaker Reed, strongly favored these measures has not been forgotten by Mr. Blaine.

Mr. Harrison has taken the result very much to heart, as owing to the reports of Mr. J. S. Clarkson, who was assisting the Congressional committee, he had become convinced that his party would retain their control of the House. Mr. Clarkson went away as soon as the result was known, ostensibly for his health, but it is probable that he was very glad to get away from the explanations he would have been asked to make. It is not now thought that Mr. Clarkson would have the slightest show for a cabinet position even if there were half-a-dozen vacancies.

Victory has its troubles too. Already there are evidences that the fight among the democrats for the Speakership of the next House is to be long, stubborn, and bitter. At the start there are half-a-dozen candidates. Mr. Mills thinks the removal of Mr. Carlisle to the Senate and the death of Messrs. Randall and Cox gives him a mortgage on the Speakership, but his claims will be hotly disputed by those who believe themselves better qualified to wield the Speaker's gavel than the Texan, among them are, Mr. Crisp, of Georgia, who proved himself an able parliamentarian during the last session; Mr. McMillan, of Tennessee, a prominent member of the Ways and Means committee; Mr. Bynum, of Indiana, who obtained a national reputation by being censured by vote of the Republicans of the House for his abuse of Speaker Reed; Mr. Springer, of Illinois, who often adorned the Speaker's chair when Mr. Carlisle was speaker, and Mr. Breckinridge, of Kentucky, who is personally one of the most popular men who ever served in Congress.

It is now officially stated here that it was decided sometime ago by the Cabinet that no extra session of Congress should be called this month.

Mr. Harrison, it is said, gave in with a bad grace, and only when convinced that an extra session would be extremely unpopular both with the members of Congress and with the people.

Mr. Durnell will have to revise his congressional apportionment bill. It was based on a population of 64,000,000. Whatever is come it is certain to result in a big row in Congress. The republicans will, of course, want to fix it so as to gain all of the advantage possible in the Fifty-third Congress and in the electoral college, and some of them want the bill to provide for a special election to elect the additional Representatives it will give, in time to take their seats in the Fifty-second Congress. It is not very probable, though of course possible that the bill will go quite as far as that.

Chambersburg Items.

Dr. Morris visited Keokuk Monday and Tuesday.

L. M. Metz returned this week from a visit in Missouri.

Mr. Byrns, of Mt Sterling, is visiting his brother, John, of this place. The butcher shop has again changed hands, Raymond Metz being proprietor and chief skinner.

C. S. Smith and E. S. Klinefelter visited your city last week trading. They report good crops.

The last week has been very exciting on account of the election, but old Pike is democratic yet.

Wm. Thompson, of Quincy, passed through our "Burg" Thursday asking for a Whig to console himself.

On account of exposure to scarlet fever some pupils of our school were returned to their Ma's Friday.

Homer Ham visited Pittsfield this week to interview the clothiers of that place. Looks a little suspicious, Homer.

Halloween was observed in the usual style of tearing up everything that was loose and some things that were not loose.

Rackets! Yes, we have been having a few among the women, but we will not say anything about them and perhaps they will cease.

Frank White, of Versailles, and our constable, Sam Todd, overhauled some cattle drivers below town Friday and relieved them of a halter they had taken from the lively barn in Versailles and \$4 for their trouble.

The New Private Secretary.

W. J. Wickwire, the successor of Herbert F. Suttle as assistant general passenger and ticket agent of the Jacksonville Southeastern Line, began his duties in the office here Monday. Of Mr. Wickwire the Peoria Transcript, of Nov. 7th, says:

Railroad men in particular and the public in general will regret to learn that W. J. Wickwire, who has been in the Union Depot ticket office so long, is to remove from Peoria. He has accepted the position of private secretary to W. W. Kent, the talented and popular Peorian, now general passenger agent of the J. S. & L., and will launch into his new duties next Monday. It is a source of considerable gratification to know that Jimmie Kent, who has endeared himself to the hearts of the traveling public by uniform politeness and cheerfulness, accommodating manners, and everybody wishes him good luck. In this connection it may be truthfully said that it is a stroke of good luck for any man to be in the employ and company of W. W. Kent, the prince of good fellows. —Jacksonville Courier.

ANNOUNCEMENT

On the 15th day of June, 1890, the partnership heretofore existing between Fred Einstman and Geo. W. Graham, under the firm name of Geo. W. Graham & Co., Merchant Millers, expired by mutual consent. The business will be continued by Mr. Einstman and we are thankful for past patronage and ask a continuance of the same for Mr. Einstman.

Geo. W. GRAHAM & Co.

Meredosia, Ill.

Try a sack of the Gold Standard Flour. The best flour on the market. For sale by Keener & Pike and M. E. Geiss.

Obituary.

Died, of too much popularity, Miss Annie Rooney, on her second trip across the continent. She was a lovely girl just in her teens with those ruddy cheeks and beautiful dimples so characteristic with all Irish girls. She came into public notice just after the death of that noted man McGinty. She supplied a want in the hearts of the curious as well as in the hearts of true lovers of music. Her name became a national one and until John L. Sullivan made his debut on the stage in the clever play of "Honest Hearts and Willing Hands," she was among the leading characters of the day. She made a lovely sweetheart and an honored beau, poor Annie she remained to Joe. May the world learn to appreciate her many virtues. She was laid to rest beside Ben Bolt, between their graves planted the Last Rose of Summer. Let her sleep with the muses.—Mason City Independent.

Bogus Divorce Papers.

Yesterday morning another inquiry was received at the court house regarding a fictitious divorce suit. The inquiry was first sent to Clayton, Ill., addressed to "the clerk of courts of court house, Clayton, Illinois," and was forwarded to Quincy for that place.

The inquiry is from Attorney C. G. Keyes, of Boston, Massachusetts, and asks if on or about January 14, 1885, a divorce was granted to Albert Pettee from Augusta Handy Pettee in the supreme court of Adams county. There is no record of the granting of a divorce to Albert Pettee in the Adams county court. The divorce papers shown to Attorney Keyes were undoubtedly bogus.

During the past few months ten or a dozen such inquiries have come into the hands of the Adams county court house officials. There is something rotten somewhere but efforts to locate the said rottenness have thus far been futile.—Quincy Journal.

The Soldiers' Home Overcrowded.

The trustees of the Illinois Soldiers' and Sailors' Home have issued a circular announcing that, in consequence of the crowded condition of the home, it will be impossible to admit new members until additional accommodations are provided. There are now 1,230 men on the roll, of whom 925 are present and those on furlough rapidly coming in. The names of applicants hereafter will be registered in the order of the date of application, and when there is a vacancy the person properly entitled to admission will be notified.—Quincy Journal.

A Horrible Death.

A horrible

THE MEREDOSIA NEWS.

HEBERBERG & STINSON, Publishers.

MEREDOSIA, ILLINOIS.

Brazil is larger than the United States, but in the whole twenty States which make up the republic there are not as many people as there are in New York and Pennsylvania.

Civilization is advancing in Africa. The last Liverpool steamer for the mouth of the Congo carried 10,000 cases of rum, eleven cases of gun, 400 tons of gunpowder and fourteen missionaries.

France is seeking reciprocity with the other continental nations of Europe with a club. Perhaps the United States will one day be able to take France into the big alliance which the countries on the western side of the Atlantic are about to form.

Between November 1, 1880, and the beginning of the same month in 1880 there was an increase in the volume of the circulating medium to the extent of nearly \$85,000,000. This is a very large increase and took place in either population or business.

The law providing for execution by electricity in New York is again before the Supreme Court of the United States. The question is, as in the Kemmer case, heretofore decided, whether the punishment provided is "cruel and unusual," and as such prohibited by the Constitution of the United States.

A cold wave, as defined by Prof. T. Russell, is a fall of temperature in twenty-four hours of 20 deg. over an area of 50,000 square miles, the temperature in some part of this area descending to 30 deg. Between 1880 and 1880 no less than 691 cold waves were recorded in the United States. The time for their recurrence is at hand.

The corn crop for 1880 in the twelve following States is thus estimated: Illinois, 234,028,172; Indiana, 105,038,192; Ohio, 232,828,125; Kentucky, 56,920,446; Missouri, 184,888,612; Kansas, 98,247,088; Wisconsin, 41,887,920; Michigan, 41,835,311; Iowa, 268,454,880; Nebraska, 143,646,680; Minnesota, 22,932,120; Dakota, 19,492,040—a total of 1,220,888,574.

Archdeacon Fowler has written to General Booth of the Salvation Army, enclosing a liberal contribution and highly commending his philanthropic scheme for the uplifting of the poor of London. The archdeacon regrets that the movement was not inaugurated by the Church of England, and promised to preach on the subject at Westminster Abbey.

One of the humors of the campaign which floated into Washington was a "doggerel" issued by the Central party in Salt Lake City, Utah. The doggerel was like an eight-page circular, about six by ten inches in size. The title page bore the inscription: "What Hon. — has done for Salt Lake in Congress." The rest of the pages were blank.

In the way of prize offering an English paper stands at the head. The inducement is a pretty wife with an endowment of \$100 per year. The lady is to be selected by the editor for her beauty, and she is then to have the choice of one of ten gentlemen, who will agree beforehand to marry her if such be her choice. A wedding tressure is also to be provided.

All emperors William's Hohenzollern ancestors bore since 1723, as well as himself, his brothers and sisters, have been rocked in the same cradle. The ancestral cradle couch is a clumsy affair of oak and richly carved. Around the four sides is set in Roman letters the text: "He hath given his angels charge over thee, and they keep thee in all thy ways."

The steam engines of the world represent, approximately, the working power of 1,000,000,000 of men, or more than double the working population of the world, the total population of which is usually estimated at 1,435,923,000 inhabitants. Steam has accordingly enabled man to triple his working power, making it possible for him to economize his physical strength while attaining his intellectual development.

In England and Wales, out of 90,934 food samples which were recently analyzed, 3,696 were found to be adulterated. This is equal to 11½ per cent, a percentage lower than in any previous year since 1885, when it was under 11. Nearly one-half the samples taken were of milk, and the percentage reported against was 13.2. Taking London by itself, it was 21.2 per cent, which compares with 11.9 in Leeds, 11 in Sheffield, 9.5 in Liverpool, 8.5 in Manchester and 5.6 in Salford. Wonder what the percentage would be in the United States.

According to pleasing tales that are told the rounds of the press, Postmaster-General Vannaman has received some new styles in postal cards. The newspapers alluded to state that hereafter, instead of being compelled to use cards of the bilious tint to which the long-suffering public are accustomed, they may purchase the new postal cards in all shades of various sizes of delicate pinks and baby blues, of pearl gray and even of old gold. Thus arises another monument to mark the advance of civilization.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Compiled from Various Sources.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.
BUCK TAYLOR, of the Wild West Show, visited the Barge Office in New York, on the 6th, and had a talk with Governor O'Brien about the Indians who left Albany for the steamship Hollandland for Philadelphia. Buffalo Bill, it is said, would not send them to New York because he feared the result of a rigid investigation of their life and treatment aboard.

HIRSH HASSERT, past grand master of Masons, and considered the Mason of the highest degree in the world, died at Millersburg, Ky., on the 6th, of paralysis, at the age of seventy. He had taken every degree known to the order. The Mexican authorities, upon the demand of the American Consul at Juarez, have released Henry Henderson, the colored American citizen who escaped from jail at Juarez, but was recaptured on American soil and dragged back to Juarez by a Mexican official. The Mexican authorities have also given the Consul assurances that the offending Mexican officer will be severely punished.

MATRICE BRENNHART, son of the noted actress, slightly wounded the sword arm of his antagonist, M. Bourley, in a duel near Paris, on the 7th. Mr. Bourley is a dramatic critic of the Comte Pabst. The New York Produce Exchange is exercised over the information that the Peruvian Government has passed a new tariff law, to take effect February 1, 1891, imposing a tax of fifteen cents, Peruvian silver (five cents our money), per pound on all foreign lard. Peru takes \$300,000 a year of the best quality of lard from this country.

"You have nothing to apologize for," a gentleman would not have insulted me, and a blackguard can not," was the reassuring remark of Patrick Egan, United States Minister to Chili, to a friend who had presented him to a representative of the London Times at the President's late reception in Valparaiso. The correspondent had publicly declined the introduction.

From the latest returns it appears that the Senate, after March 4, 1891, will stand 43 Democrats to 45 Republicans, with one seat from New Hampshire in doubt. The House will have a Democratic majority of 154.

The United States Consul-General at Nuevo Laredo, in a dispatch to the Department of State, discredits the report that the Mexican Government has placed an import duty on cattle from the United States. No such duty has, to his knowledge, been imposed.

"Quay's dead; and his mail goes to the dead-letter office," was the thoughtless remark that secured the suspension of Mrs. Margaret Watkins, delivery clerk at the Washington post-office.

THOMAS HARPER, president and treasurer of the Harper Brothers Company, manufacturers of decorated lamps and shades at Barclay and Church streets, New York, and William Harper, manager of the factory at Van West, Westchester County, N. Y., have disappeared, leaving debts reported at from \$25,000 to \$30,000.

PRESIDENT HARRISON has issued a proclamation setting apart November 27 as a day of thanksgiving and prayer.

LORD LONSDOWN, speaking at West Hartlepool, England, declared that Messrs. Dillon and O'Brien deliberately organized the Tipperary riot, and that Mr. Morley was inveigled into a trap set by them.

On the 8th General David B. McKibben, U. S. A., on the retired list, died in Washington of cancer of the throat. General McKibben served with distinction in the Mexican and Italian wars and in the war of the rebellion.

On the 8th Hal G. Dulaney died at Welbourne, London County, Va., in his thirty-seventh year. He was the wealthiest man in Virginia, having fallen heir to the estates of Letty Huton, of England, and the Dulaney family of Virginia.

POLITICAL Gossips of Washington say that Senator Quay will resign the chairmanship of the Republican National committee as soon as he returns from Florida, and that Mr. Clarkson will be his successor.

EX-MAYOR COTTELL, of Cedar Key, Fla., who a few weeks ago, terrorized the Florida Federal officials, was shot in the head and instantly killed at Montgomery, Ala., on the 6th, by Chief of Police Gerald, whose life he had threatened while under arrest for drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

TWO MIX, said to be from Montreal, fell over the Garneau bridge at La Chaudiere, Can., on the 6th, and were instantly killed. They were looking at some work going on under the bridge, when one of them fell over, dragging his companion with him.

MR. JOSEPH SHUCK and five children, of Canton, O., were poisoned by eating head cheese which was affected with animal matter of a poisonous nature. The mother and one daughter, aged eight, were in a critical condition and likely to die. The remainder of the family were saved by prompt medical aid.

THIRTEEN through vestibule train from Chicago to Cincinnati on the Big Four Sunday train, on the 7th, the 7th, while running thirty miles an hour. Three passenger coaches and the baggage car went into the ditch and the middle coach was badly smashed. Eighty passengers were aboard, but no one was seriously injured.

OR the 5th Henry J. Mallon, formerly editor of the Lowell (Mass.) Citizen, and owner of the Sunday Citizen of that city, charged with the forging of two notes of \$1,000 each, was arrested and held in \$5,000 bonds, which he was unable to furnish.

MISCELLANEOUS.
The scheme of laying bare the bed of Pease River, the largest mining operation ever undertaken in California, is now assured, as samples of gravel have yielded richly, and Manager McLaughlin confidently expects to gather from \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000 from the venture.

RETURNS of the London Board of Trade for October show that the exports from England increased \$500,000 and the imports decreased \$300,000 during the month as compared with those for the corresponding month last year.

On the 5th the much-talked-of meeting of Anarchists at New York City and Brooklyn to express sympathy with the cause of the "Murdered Martyrs" of Chicago was held at the Labor Lyceum in Brooklyn, and passed off without any collision between the Anarchists and the police. Twelve hundred persons were present. Henry More was the principal speaker. His remarks were tame, and the meeting was an uninteresting one.

It is said that a bill will be introduced into the Prussian Diet providing for the subsidizing of a charity hospital where consumptive patients will be treated according to Dr. Koch's newly discovered system.

THE Secretary of the Navy has issued an order modifying the regulations of the act in accordance with the act of Congress, approved September 23, 1890, granting permission to officers and enlisted men of the army and navy to wear the badges adopted by military societies of men who served in the war of the revolution, the war of 1812, the Mexican war and the war of the rebellion.

On the 9th meetings were held throughout Belgium in support of the eight-hour day and universal suffrage. Many of the speakers advocated the establishment of a republic. A large amount of money was collected in view of a general strike. Handbills were thrown over the walls and the Belgian in Brussels enjoining the soldiers to cooperate with the workmen.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.
WM. BALDWIN was fined \$30 in the District Court of New Bedford, Mass., on the 10th, for violation of the Australian Ballot law in having an official ballot outside the polling place at the late election. He appealed, and was held in \$1,000 bonds for the Superior Court. This is the first case of the kind under the law.

A LARGE barn at Geneva, N. Y., owned by Higgins & Smalley, and used by them as stables for their horses, was burned on the 9th. John Hall, a man employed in the stable, while attempting to liberate the horses, was overpowered by the flames. Fourteen horses and two mules were burned.

A PARTY of lynchers visited La Fayette (Ind.) jail, on the night of the 9th, to deal summary judgment upon George Bennett, the murderer of William H. Scott and John W. White. They entered the jail only to find that the prisoner had been removed to a place of safety.

The sheriff of New York was obliged to return the executions on three judgments, aggregating over \$600,000, entered against the Duchess of Marlborough for money borrowed in England, unsatisfied, being unable to find any property to levy on.

SINCE the passage of the McKinley bill the authorities at Victoria, B. C., have imposed a license of \$50 upon American commercial travelers. This is only good until January 1, after which every foreign salesman must pay a fee of \$100.

THE shoe manufacturers at Erfurt, Germany, have declared a lock-out in consequence of a dispute arising from the dismissal of a workman. Three hundred men are thrown out of employment.

MINISTER LINCOLN has denied emphatically the truth of the report that he intends to resign. He says he will return to England as the expiration of his two months' leave of absence.

DR. STRAUSS was stricken with apoplexy on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange, on the 10th, and business was suspended temporarily.

THE Supreme Court of the United States has decided that the police commissioners of San Francisco have no authority to grant or refuse liquor licenses.

ILLINOIS STATE NEWS.

Big Packing-House Deal.

There was a meeting of Chicago beef and pork packers the other day. The meeting was a private one called to discuss the details of a scheme which has been kept carefully from the knowledge of the public. The scheme is to form a combination of packers to sell out to a syndicate of English capitalists.

After the meeting a gentleman from the meeting had adjourned the meeting to a reporter: "It is true that negotiations for the sale of Chicago packing-houses to a syndicate of Englishmen have been in progress for some time. It is true, also, that a deal has been practically consummated, but I can not give the particulars just now, but I will say this much about it: The packing houses will be combined into practically one big concern, and probably form the largest packing interest in the world. The business will be run with English capital, and the foreign business will invest enough money to greatly increase the business of the houses in the combination. The actual management of the business will remain in American hands, probably in the same hands that manage the houses now." Mr. P. D. Jones, president of the Swift, Morris and Libby, by their attorneys, denied that they were interested in the deal in any way. Mr. Armour added that there was not enough money in England to buy him out.

A Demented Wanderer.
James W. Holder, banker and horse importer of Chenoa, McLean County, wandered away from home while suffering from mental aberration, resulting from sickness, and nothing of his whereabouts had been learned up to a few days ago. His family were grief-stricken over his disappearance. He is a member of a wealthy family, and his finances are in excellent condition.

A Murderer Attempts Suicide.
Joseph Novak, the Bradwood murderer of St. Louis, a thirty-year-old girl, has been sentenced to be hanged on November 28. He attempted suicide in his cell the other day by falling on the stone floor and trying to knock his brains out. He succeeded no further than knocking himself senseless and cutting an ugly wound on his forehead.

A Child Fatally Burned.
Mrs. Carico, the wife of a Peoria barber, was cleaning a carpet with gasoline when the fluid took fire from a lamp. The woman's clothing was ignited, but was extinguished before doing any harm. In the excitement of the moment it was forgotten that Pearl, the ten-months-old child, was on a bed in the room. When it was rescued it was so badly burned that it died.

Mr. Mason's Little Son Dead.
Lawrence George, the little son of Congressman William E. Mason, of Illinois, aged four years, died in Washington of diphtheria. Mr. Mason was there when the little fellow died, and was made ill by the sad affair and hard campaign work.

Brought Home for Burial.
The body of John Field arrived in Chicago the other day and was placed in the vault in Graceland Cemetery. Melvin Field was the son of Eugene Field, and died recently at Hamburg, Germany, of peritonitis.

On Account of His Color.
In Chicago, A. C. Garner, a colored theological student, recovered a verdict before Judge Baker for \$211 against Mark Smith for the latter's refusal to serve the plaintiff in his restaurant on account of color.

By His Grandfather's Side.
Hon. Robert F. Lincoln arrived in Springfield the other day with the remains of his son, Abraham, which were deposited in a crypt of the Lincoln monument. There was no formal ceremony.

Caused by a Lover's Quarrel.
At Towanda Joseph Vandervort committed suicide by taking off of tansy. Vandervort came from Haverhill, Scioto County, O., a few months ago. The suicide resulted from a lover's quarrel.

A New Masonic Temple.
The cornerstone of the magnificent Masonic temple to be erected in Chicago was laid by Grand Master John M. Pearson, with the solemn and impressive ceremonies of the Masonic order.

Child Bitten by a Dog.
A little child of Mr. Parker, residing near Carthage, was bitten by a rabid dog several days ago, and the animal has since died in spasms. The child's parents have sought a madstone.

Believed of His Money.
Charles Parker, a Chicago saloon-keeper, sold his place for \$2,000, and during the evening was robbed of every cent. No trace of the robbers has been found.

One of Chicago's Pioneer Goss.
Michael Sullivan, who settled in Chicago when that city was a village, and who once owned a farm on Division street, died the other day, aged eighty-two.

The W. C. T. U. Building.
The cornerstone of the W. C. T. U. Woman's Temple was laid formally at Chicago the other day. It will cost \$1,100,000 and will be thirty stories high.

Death of a Newspaper Man.
Major G. W. Hawks, editor and proprietor of the Warren Leader, died the other day, aged sixty years. He was formerly editor of the Polo (Ill.) Press.

FINANCIAL CLOUDS.

The Recent Matterings in Wall Street. Some Near Breaking into a Storm—The Stock Exchange on the Verge of a Panic—London Reflects the Feeling of Impending Disaster—Death of a Famous Member of the New York Stock Exchange from Apoplexy Adds Gloom to the Situation.

NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—The dark clouds which have been hanging over Wall street for the last few months almost reached a climax of blackness yesterday morning. The Stock Exchange was on the verge of a panic during the first two hours. Money was almost unobtainable, and failures were imminent. London prices for American securities cabled over here showed declines of from one to two per cent below the closing prices of Saturday. Money rates were higher in London, and an uncomfortable feeling of insecurity was reported. When the market opened there was a rush to sell stocks at any price. In the first ten minutes prices of active stocks had declined from one and one-half to three per cent. The excitement on the Stock Exchange was tremendous. It seemed almost impossible to find buyers, so that the public confidence had been shaken by recent developments here and in Europe.

The banks and trust companies, sharing the general fright, began to call in loans, and within half an hour the Stock Exchange was bare of money. The streets were full of big buyers, ready about to obtain loans to make good their margins, which were vanishing at a terrible rate. A few slight rallies occurred during the morning, due to buying of the bears, who are reaping rich harvests at the expense of the street in general.

Shortly before twelve o'clock the death of James Struthers occurred, and cast an added gloom over the Stock Exchange. Business was suspended for half an hour, and the brokers had time to take a breathing spell and count up their losses.

At about one o'clock money lenders began to appear in the loan crowd on the Stock Exchange. They offered money which they had been holding back for better rates and found many eager takers. Rates quickly ran up to twenty-five and fifty per cent, and then to one hundred per cent and interest, which is equivalent to about ninety per cent, per year. At about the same time there came a sharp rally in the stock market, and prices began to advance again.

Among the extreme declines of the day was that of Manhattan, eight per cent, Chicago, six per cent, Cincinnati, six per cent, St. Louis, six per cent.

The impression seems to be gaining ground that only prompt action on the part of the Bank of France can avert a panic in London, the reverberations of which will be felt all over the world.

The situation in London is becoming painfully strained. South America, South Africa and Egypt, in all of which England's moneyed interest are very large, are calling on the Bank of England for more gold, and it can not respond. It is thought probable that the directors of the bank must soon advance the rate to a high figure.

THE JAY COOKE FAILURE.
Final Dividend Upon Claims Presented—Return of the Cash.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 11.—The trustee of the estate of Jay Cooke & Co., announces the payment of the final dividend upon claims presented before Monday next. The final dividend will be one and three-quarter per cent in cash on \$5,451,000 and eight and one-half per cent in kind on the same amount.

The most of Riddle's schemes were clumsily devised and awkwardly managed, but he had all the viciousness and avarice of an accomplished villain.

Nyburg tried to drown the presentiment of danger in the thought that fear was useless, and so, mounting a horse

of the situation. The order was promptly obeyed.

"Now," said Nyburg, taking the bridle-rein of Riddle's horse, "you march pretty straight to town."

It was a comical procession which a little company of Riddle's friends came to witness. They hurried along the Badger creek road. A would-be robber or assassin, cowed and captured, marching in front of his intended victim, who was mounted on the real victim's horse.

When Nyburg's nag galloped into the bridge and came up the road, where they hurried along the Badger creek road, a would-be robber or assassin, cowed and captured, marching in front of his intended victim, who was mounted on the real victim's horse.

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THE POWER OF LITTLE THINGS.

I tell to mind some little things. "You well to mountains great!" "The 'old' 'young' and 'old' and by." "Some day," said "old" and by.

They have commanded weight and power. Although so small they seem; They are, indeed, the hope deferred, Of many a golden dream.

One needs more patience, will and strength Than most men have, to keep their heads on the field of war, The battle on to lead.

They eat and rancor in the soul, They check the daily song; They drink the joy of life in lips, Cry out: "How long! how long!"

The heart grows sad and sick and faint, The hair will whiten fast, With waiting for the "day and by," That day so soft and forest.

How many hopes hang breathlessly Upon one little word; And life will rest upon A half-suspended sword.

One little child dropped here or there, The work is all undone; And have you thought how small a cloud Will hide the poor sun?

—HAROLD M. KOLBINS, in *Inter Ocean*.

farmer, highly respected by all who knew him; the other was a lazy town loafer who spent much time about livery stables where occasionally he made a horse trade. He was known as "Bud" Riddle. Nyburg charged Riddle with having moved a corner stone so as to change the ownership of a valuable spring. This Riddle denied, and the court ordered a new survey, which gave the spring and several acres of land to Nyburg. The stone had clearly been moved, but they could not find the deed upon Riddle, although no one in the community doubted that he had done it.

From this time he developed a personal hatred for Nyburg which displayed itself in the countless little annoyances which a vicious and spiteful neighbor can inflict.

In a few months a railroad was projected through that county from Chicago.

The farmers collected together several car-loads of live stock and produce and sent them to market under Nyburg's charge.

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"ROBBERS" RIDDLE.

A Story of Pioneer Life in Central Illinois.

[Written for This Paper.]

N THE early settlement of Central Illinois a dispute arose between two men over the dividing line between their respective claims. One of the parties, Henry Nyburg, was a straightforward, thoroughly business

man, highly respected by all who knew him; the other was a lazy town loafer who spent much time about livery stables where occasionally he made a horse trade. He was known as "Bud" Riddle. Nyburg charged Riddle with having moved a corner stone so as to change the ownership of a valuable spring. This Riddle denied, and the court ordered a new survey, which gave the spring and several acres of land to Nyburg. The stone had clearly been moved, but they could not find the deed upon Riddle, although no one in the community doubted that he had done it.

From this time he developed a personal hatred for Nyburg which displayed itself in the countless little annoyances which a vicious and spiteful neighbor can inflict.

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TALMAGE'S SERMON.

On the Road from Jerusalem to Bethel and Galilee.

Seventh Discourse of the Holy Land Series—A Talk on the Thoughts Suggested by Treading the Ground Where Jesus Walked.

REV. T. DO WITT Talmage delivered the seventh of his series of discourses on the Holy Land under two large audiences, one in Brooklyn, the other in New York City. His text was:

So I lifted up mine eyes the way toward the north.—Ezekiel viii, 1.

At one o'clock on a December afternoon, through Damascus gate, we were passing out of Jerusalem for a journey homeward. Hot for Bethel with its stairs, the bottom step of which was a stone pillow, and Jacob's well with its immortal colloquy, and Nazareth with its Divine boy in the carpenter shop, and in the most glorious lake that ever rippled or flashed.

The lake where Jesus loved to be; and Damascus with its crooked street called Straight, and a hundred places charged and surcharged with apostolic, evangelistic, prophetic, patriarchal, kingly and Christly reminiscences.

A Fraud! A Fraud!

A BASE DECEPTION.

Catch the imposter and let justice be meted out to him, "He who steals our reputation, steals our money." Some one has intimated that goods can be bought elsewhere as cheap, ah! possibly, cheaper.

WE PROCLAIM THE WHOLE THING AN INVENTION.

AND THE ONE WHO UTTERED IT A BASE INVENTOR.

COME AND SEE THE "VICTIMS"

Of the perpetration, (we, the undersigned,) get our prices, see our goods, compare them with prices and goods seen elsewhere and you will find that

"TRUTH CRUSHED TO EARTH WILL RISE AGAIN."

We will not be undersold!

We have said it!

We will prove it!

The Meredosia News.

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THE FINAL CANVAS.

Shows the Election of the Entire Democratic County Ticket—A Large Plurality for the State Also.

We present herewith the official result of the election in this county as determined by the board of canvassers. The canvass was completed too late for publication in these columns last week, and it was necessarily deferred till now. The total number of votes cast was 6,057, or 429 less than the combined votes for the heads of the national tickets in 1888. We give the total number of votes received by candidates:

STATE TREASURER.	
Edward S. Wilson, d.	3708
Frank Amberg, r.	2987
Robt. T. Link, p.	250
SPT. PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.	
Henry Raab, d.	3742
Richard Edwards, r.	2969
Carl Johann, p.	236
TRUSTEES UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.	
John H. Bryant, d.	3738
Nelson W. Graham, d.	3737
Charles G. Neely, r.	3734
Willis A. Mansfield, r.	2961
Charles Bennett, r.	2963
John W. Gibson, p.	242
Wm. Edwards, p.	243
Mary A. West, p.	244
REP. 12th CON. DISTRICT.	
Wm. M. Springer, d.	3661
Jesse Hancock, r.	2978
Robt. H. Patton, p.	2075
REP. 28th SEN. DISTRICT.	
John W. Springer, d.	5940
D. C. Enslow, d.	5074
Edward P. Kirby, r.	5075
Alfred Platt, p.	1934
CLERK SUPREME COURT.	
John A. Sively, d.	3733

John J. Finn, r.	2960
George McFadden, p.	241
CLERK APPELLATE COURT.	
Geo. W. Jones, d.	3725
Lawrence C. Murphy, r.	2972
Edward Van Fleet, p.	243
COUNTY JUDGE.	
Owen P. Thompson, d.	3073
Julian P. Lippenott, r.	2418
Elbert T. Rice, p.	214
COUNTY CLERK.	
John C. Williams, d.	3705
Charles M. Vertrees, r.	2980
Richard Y. Duncan, p.	211
SHERIFF.	
James F. Self, d.	3889
Wm. T. Leyton, r.	2866
James M. Deatheridge, p.	175
COUNTY TREASURER.	
Thos. P. Dobyns, d.	3882
Wm. D. Mathers, r.	2834
Louis Rexroat, p.	177
SPT. OF SCHOOLS.	
Harry C. Montgomery, d.	3902
Alfred L. Linn, r.	2845
Mrs. Anna Wright, p.	164
COUNTY COMMISSIONER.	
Wm. Covey, d.	3612
Geo. W. Moore, r.	3079
Charles Sanders, p.	203
For Amendment to Constitution.	2613
Against " "	1547
For Amendment to Banking act.	2619
Against " "	1560
Scott Wike and George W. Jones each received 3197 votes in Quincy, while Elchan Allen Snively received but 4183.	
Brown, Adams, Pike, Morgan, McDonough, Cass, Scott and Hancock counties all went democratic by appalling majorities. They elected the straight ticket throughout.	
In Wisconsin the republicans lose one congressman. The democrats claim the election of their entire state ticket and governor which claim the republicans do not concede. The legislation is republican and Senator Spooner will be re-elected. In New Hampshire there has been no election of governor and the democrats gain one congressman. Tammany carried everything before it in New York City and county. Its majority is estimated at 22,000 or over. The democrats have gained several congressmen and the delegation it is estimated will stand, democrats 19: republicans, 15.	
The democrats have made some gains in members of the legislature in this state and lost none. What the gain has been is uncertain. The chair-	

man of the republican committee claims the legislature, but the claim is not conceded by the democrats. It would seem as if the democrats had carried Cook county, and elected their treasurer and sheriff.

Additional Local.

—Isaac Kennett, of Chapin, was on business here Tuesday.

—Elmer Roberts, of Naples, came in on the morning train Tuesday.

—A ratification meeting was held in Versailles last Monday evening.

—George Ham, of Chambersburg, had business in this place Monday.

—Mrs. Brackenberry spent Sunday and Monday in Naples with relatives.

—Andrew Wilson, of Griggsville, is visiting Stafford Smith and family. Mr. Wilson is an old time printer.

—J. C. Lewis and Dr. Carver, of Bluffs, were here on business Wednesday.

—Squire Graybal, wife and daughter, Mr. Whitmore and wife, of Naples, were the guests of friends here Monday.

—Mrs. Tom Burrus, of Naples, spent Friday and Saturday in this place, the guest of relatives and friends.

—The News office has just received an elegant line of samples of wedding cards, ball programs and invitation. All of the latest styles and the finest ever shown in Meredosia. We are prepared to furnish such goods on the shortest possible notice. When wanting anything in the above line give us a call.

—Patents Granted to citizens of Illinois during the past week, and reported for this paper by C. A. Snow & Co. Patent Attys. Opp. U. S. Patent Office Washington, D. C.

E. H. Alling, Rogers Park, Bottle stopper driving tool. A. A. Bennett, St. Charles, Making lactose. J. W. Bowen, Jacksonville, Commodore. G. Bradshaw, Decatur, Hook. L. M. DeVore, Freeport, Advertising device. W. T. Floyd, Clinton, Waterfilter. J. C. Murphy, South Evanston, Station Indicator. O. Pederson, Moline, Brush. A. Pollock, Hallsville, Belt tightener. C. S. Ruef, Dixon, Harrow. M. D. Shipman, DeKalb, Separable button. S. H. Swain, Decatur, Embroidery. I. B. Tryon, Hebron, Bag holder. H. F. Werren, Anna, Cutlery scourer. P. E. Wistrand, Keewaupee, Windmill.

—After Michael Angelo Fanning, private secretary of Governor Francis, returned from his Western trip, he perpetrated the following: "Twas out in the gloaming, way up in Wyoming, a maiden sat combing her golden hair; when heated with roaming, all panting and foaming, there came and hugged her a grizzly bear. It didn't frighten her—the bear didn't bite her; she lay back and murmured: 'Still tighter, my dear.' This broke up old Bruin, he left off his wooing," sneaked back to the mountains and hid for a year."

—This is how a parson took leave of his parishioners in a town in the far West: "Dearly beloved—Our parting does not seem hard for three reasons: you do not love me, you do not love each other, and the Lord doesn't love you. If you loved me you would have paid me for my service during the past two years; you do not love each other, otherwise I should have more marriages to celebrate, and the Lord does not love you, for otherwise He would call more of you to Him, and I should have more funeral services to conduct." His parishioners did not press their pastor to stay.—Ex.

Married.

JULIAN, NEB., Nov. 4, 1890.

EDITOR MEREDOSIA NEWS:—

Would be pleased to announce to the many friends of my childhood and the many readers of your valuable paper the wedding of Mr. C. Y. Richardson and Mrs. M. A. Bowyer. The groom residing in Julian, Neb., and the bride near Carthage, Mo., where the wedding was celebrated on the 29th of Sept., 1890, and after a week's visit among friends came to Nebraska where they will make their future home.

LEO W. BOWYER.

Need Money.

Add therefore will sell goods cheaper than any other store in seven states at Lewinson's.

—George D. Prunkice once wrote: "It cannot be that the earth is man's only abiding place. It cannot be that life is a mere bubble, cast up to eternity to float a moment on its waves and then sink into nothingness. Else why is it that the glorious aspirations which leap like angels from the temple of our hearts are forever unsatisfied. Why is it that all the stars that hold their festival around the midnight throne are set above the grasp of our

unlimited faculties, forever mocking us with their unapproachable glory? And finally, why is it that forms of human beauty presented to our view are taken from us, leaving the thousand streams of our affections to flow back to Alpine torrents upon the rain bow that never fades, where the stars will be spread out before us like islands that slumber in the ocean; and where the beautiful beings that now pass before us like shadows will stay in our presence forever."

A. E. RITSCHER,
DEALER IN
Boots, Shoes & Rubbers.

Huiskamp's, Giesecke and other hand made boots and shoes.

Dittman's: Glove & Fitting
SHOES FOR LADIES.

GUY - DOCKER'S - SHOES,
FOR LADIES \$2.50.

Henderson's Little Red School House Shoes, for Children.

Remember I still give
8 Per Cent. Discount for Cash.

Prices as low as ever before. Will pay \$100 for proof that I have advanced prices in a single instance. Agent for BARTLETT'S BLACKINGS.

J. P. BAUMAN,
DEALER IN
LUMBER,
SASH, DOORS, BLINDS,
Lime, Hair, Plaster Paris,
AND CEMENT.

AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS
AND
ROAD CARTS.

J. H. CARVER

MEREDOSIA, ILLINOIS,

Would most respectfully announce to the many friends of this and adjoining counties that after selling you goods for thirty-one continuous years, I am still to be

FOUND AT THE OLD RELIABLE

with a larger stock of goods than ever that I want to call your attention to:

Our light brown sugar 20 pounds for \$1.00
" fine granulated sugar, 14 pounds for 1.00
" Imperial tea 3 pounds for 1.00
" roasted Cordova coffee 4 pounds for 1.00
" best green coffee 4 pounds for 1.00

Our Stock of Clothing

Is very large and has been selected with great care—as to quality and style cannot be improved—and range in prices from

\$3.00 TO \$10.00.

A SUIT. OUR CHILDRENS' CLOTHING

TO FIT A BOY FROM FOUR YEARS OLD TO THE LARGEST MAN AND RANGING IN PRICE

FROM \$1.00 PER SUIT UP.

OUR OVERCOATS.

WE WILL SURPRISE YOU in styles and quality and price. THEY ARE GOOD VALUES.

Our Ladies and Childrens' Cloth and Plush Jackets and cloaks are very handsome and prices very low. Come see them and be satisfied.

OUR GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS

Department is full. We can show you a fine line of Underwear, Fancy Flannel Shirts, Neck Ties and in fact everything kept in that department is handsome. In our

DRY GOODS AND NOTION

Department you will find all the latest patterns and styles in Dress Goods, Hosiery, Plushes, Ribbons, Dress Trimming, Buttons and many varieties belonging to that department.

WE HAVE A NICE LINE OF CARPETS WHICH WE SELL CHEAP

Our line of HATS and CAPS, BUCK GLOVES are of the best makes. Our stock of

GROCERIES, BOOTS & SHOES, QUEENSWARE, HARDWARE,

and in fact all the departments are very full. We invite the public to an inspection of these goods and prices and I will assure you that you will be kindly treated by our Salesmen. Messrs. John Kratz, Lankyer and Legoman, whether you buy goods or not. Come and see us. Thanking you for the very large patronage you have given me, I am truly yours,

J. H. CARVER.

The Meredosia News.

PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY

When no time is specified, advertisements and local notices will be published until ordered discontinued.

MEREDOSIA AND VICINITY.

—Lard, 7c.
—Oats, 40c.
—Corn, 40c.
—Meal, 80c.
—Eggs 16c.
—Wheat 90c.
—Flour, \$1.25.
—Butter, 12c.
—Bran, 70c. cwt.
—Coarse Meal, 60c.
—Shipstuf, 90c. cwt.
—Hogs, \$3.50.
—Potatoes, \$1, to \$1.20.
—Sweet Potatoes, \$1.00.
—Mixed Feed, 75c. cwt.
—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
All wool red flannel 18 cents at the cheap cash store of M. E. Geiss.
—Will Pond visited home folks Sunday.
Gold Standard flour for sale at M. E. Geiss and Keener & Pike.
—Mrs. D. H. Lollis was shopping in Jacksonville last Tuesday.
For gents' underwear go to the cash store of M. E. Geiss.
—The steamer Pike passed down the river Tuesday afternoon.
New rains and currents at the cheap cash store of M. E. Geiss.
—Don't fail to read the advertisements in this issue of THE NEWS.
For gloves and caps go to the cheap cash store of M. E. Geiss.
—There will be a grand ball given at Elstunmans Hall on Thanksgiving evening.
A child can get as good a bargain at Lewinson's as an older person. Try him.
—Charles Hauser called at THE NEWS office Tuesday morning and informed us that he was going to the Locks.
Have you tried the Gold Standard flour? For sale by M. E. Geiss and Keener & Pike.
—Hysinger & Graham have got something to say to the readers of THE NEWS this week. Read their new advertisement.
D. Watts is the place to buy your watches, clocks, jewelry and specialties.
—A series of meetings began at the M. E. church last Monday evening, conducted by the pastor, Rev. Wolf. We hope that great good may come of these meetings.
The best flour on the market is the Gold Standard. For sale by Keener & Pike and M. E. Geiss.
—We have just received a large stock of note and letter heads, envelopes, statements, bill heads, tags, etc. Call and examine our stock and get our prices. We guarantee first-class work or no pay.
A fool needs lots of brains and money, but Lewinson can beat all that with bargains by square dealing.
—Bob Burdette says God wasted mud when he made a man so mean as to tell the postmaster to return his paper "refused" when he owes two or three years' subscription. Bob certainly had an inspired idea when he wrote the above.
Try a sack of our Gold Standard flour. Kept by M. E. Geiss and Keener & Pike. CLAYTON MILLING CO.
—The democrats seem to have made a clean sweep all over the state as well as other states. The following states are reported to have gone democratic by amazing majorities: Iowa, Kansas, Indiana, Nebraska, Michigan, Wisconsin, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts.
Four pounds best rio roast coffee for \$1. at the cash store of M. E. Geiss.
—Rhodes Cox and a Mr. Stevens, representing St. Louis houses, spent one day last week in this place, and in company with John Kratz went hunting. The boys say that Cox is a crack shot, especially when it comes to shooting rabbits. Ask Kratz. He can tell you all about it.
Go to M. E. Geiss or Keener & Pike and buy a sack of the celebrated Gold Standard flour.
—You should not fail to read the large three column advertisement of J. H. Carver, in this issue of THE NEWS. Mr. Carver has been selling goods to the people of Meredosia and vicinity for the past thirty-one years, and is still to be found at the "Old Reliable" with a larger stock than ever.
New millinery goods received to-day at Mrs. M. E. Geiss.

—The election for town officers will be held the first Saturday in December.
—Miss Mary Cody and Mrs. Minnie Bushnell went to Mt. Sterling last Friday.
—Charles Brackenbury and wife and Mrs. Joe Hauser, visited in Morgan City last Thursday.
—Ten men arrived from Chicago Tuesday morning and boarded the Hebe for the Locks.
—A. E. Ritscher is a delegate from the Woodman lodge of this place to Springfield this week.
—A. J. Leslie, of this place, has just completed a seven room residence for Mr. H. Hobrock, of Oxxville.
—Charles Schroll, departed last Monday for his home in Kansas. He will remain there this winter.
—Meredosia has the making of one of the best orchestras in this part of the state. It numbers seven people.
—Henry Ricks, of Jacksonville, representing the brewery of that city, was in town Tuesday interviewing our saloon men.
—Brother Fields, of the Versailles Enterprise, has asked for his annual Thanksgiving turkey. Who will be the first to take him one?
—Herman Hobrock, of Oxxville, was in town on business Monday. While here he gave THE NEWS office a call. Mr. H. is one of Scott county's best citizens.
—Capt. Harper and wife, of Naples, came up to this place Tuesday and, Cap took charge of the steamer which brought down a large load of coal for F. Einisman.
—Miss Hattie Bellew, one of Camp Points charming young ladies, was a visitor in our town from Friday till Monday evening, the guest of Miss Rose Crawford, of THE NEWS.
—The government dredge boats are at work in the river between this place and Naples. They are cutting out all the logs and snags preparatory to dredging out the channel of the river.
—A Georgia editor is becoming discouraged over one of the many problems that journalism presents. He says: "The longer we run a newspaper and write about people and events, the more we realize how utterly impossible it is to scratch every man on the spot where he itches the most."
—An exchange says: "A newspaper is always printed in a rush. There is always something in it should be left out; something left out that should have been put in; it is sometimes too quick to judge and often too quick to act, but with all its faults and shortcomings, there is much education in a bright newspaper."
—Report of the Unique School for the month ending Nov. 5. Hattie Hillig, Millie Hillig, Carrie Findings and Clyde McAllister have neither been tardy nor absent. Wm. Streuter, Henry Rolfe and John Berger have not been absent since enrollment. The deportment of all has been very good.
—B. ROBINSON, Teacher.
—The editor of the Independence (Kan.) Star sued a delinquent subscriber for \$11. The delinquent claimed that he never subscribed for the paper and did not propose to pay. The judge instructed the jury that if the evidence disclosed the fact that the defendant had taken the paper from the postoffice or caused it to be so taken, they should find for the plaintiff. It cost the man nearly \$100 to settle what \$11 would have paid.—Mexico Ledger.
—There was a double wedding at Bluffs on Thursday of last week, when Mr. W. H. Meier of Bluffs and Miss Lizzie B. Campbell of Riggsburg and Mr. Henry Rebbe and Miss Mary Meier, both of Bluffs, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony at the residence of Rev. J. H. Hanke, pastor of the German Lutheran church at Keelyville. The many friends of the contracting parties will join with us in wishing the happy couples a long and prosperous journey through life.—Winchester Times.
High tariff is a protection against American manufacture, but with all that McKinley, Lewinson will sell you clothing, dry goods, groceries, and in fact everything pertaining to the merchantile business cheaper than ever before under Buchanan's administration with free trade. I will cheerfully refund the money if you don't find it so. Hoping that every block head will comprehend this and not be galled by their kind merchants and welch this matter for their own pocket book sake, I am respectfully, your friend,
M. S. LEWINSON.
—We wish to inform the readers of THE NEWS that our celebrated flour, Gold Standard, is for sale by M. E. Geiss and Keener & Pike.
CLAYTON MILLING CO.

The Meredosia News.

NOTICE—The Publishers of this paper hold themselves responsible for any views that may be advanced by correspondents. To insure insertion communications must reach us not later than Tuesday noon. Correspondence solicited.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

Twenty-three original package joints at Topeka closed up at once upon hearing of Judge Caldwell's decision.

There are forty insane people cared for in the jail and private hospitals in the city and county of Leavenworth.

Hiram Smith, the first male child born in Boone county, Missouri, died in Columbus on the 17th at the age of 71 years.

The Hessian fly has lighted in the region of Coatsburg, and ye yeoman groans for his infant industry, wheat raising.

Two Missouri men killed themselves last week because they had no money. It isn't any disgrace to be poor, but it is mighty disagreeable.

At Roodhouse the public schools have been closed on account of the diphtheria epidemic. There are a number of cases of the disease in that town.

Sam Evans, a Marshall, Missouri, boy, filled the face of T. E. Crutcher, of Napatan, full of shot while they were hunting quail. Crutcher will lose both eyes.

An Illinois editor advertises his plant for sale because he imagines the Lord has called him to preach. He started in as a printer's devil and expects to end as a pulpit salut.

The eating of smut, on corn drove a herd of cattle, near Chillicothe, Missouri, crazy, and they attacked everything, animate and inanimate, they came to. The poison killed them.

An owl, measuring eight feet from tip to tip, was found 900 feet beneath the surface of the earth in a coal mine at Salem, Illinois, where it had been ten-days. It went down the air shaft and couldn't get back.

A Hannibal mule took a notion about two weeks ago that it wouldn't eat anything, and after it had abstained from food ten days it died. A mule will not let a little matter like death prevent its purposes.

The Illinois Central is forcibly attempting to take possession of Chestnut street, Centralia, Illinois, to shut out the Air-line's depot, and a war is on, the city being between two fires and getting done up by the corporation as usual.

Possum suppers are the proper thing now among the society people in the provinces. They round up nutting excursions. The possums are brought on handsomely decorated with baked nuts. Editor Brandon, of the Fulton, Missouri, Sun is credited with starting the style.

Conrad Schwalm, proprietor of the Washington house, Peoria, was sand-lugged Sunday night, while walking down Bridge street with his son. The cries of the latter prevented the father's robbery of a large sum he carried on his person. Schwalm is still unconscious.

What difference to the people of Nauvoo whether the railroad runs to Keokuk or Quincy so long as we get an outlet? But there is a hole just big enough for some of the stock subscribers to crawl out of and it seems as though they are going to do it, too.—Nauvoo Rustler.

A muskrat wandered into a Monmouth store and was killed there one day last week. This is an ominous for those who laid in small supplies of coal. When the muskrat abandons all idea of preparing his home and seeks the abodes of men at the approach of cold weather, the winter will surely be unusually severe.

A cow wandered through an open gate into F. D. Wilson's yard, in Hannibal, on hallowe'en night. When he attempted to drive her out she made a dash through his gaily lighted conservatory, where a party of young folks were preparing to go on a sky-lark. The glass cut her, she bellowed and eight young men ran away, while six young ladies fainted dead away.

A riot occurred at a country dance on the farm of John Porter, four miles south of Carthage, Illinois, on Wednesday night, in which knives, clubs, flat-irons, chairs and other weapons were used, the girls taking an active part in the scrimmage. Joseph Munson was severely cut, and Moses Priddy dangerously wounded. Priddy forced his way into the dance uninvited and started a row with one of the girls.

CONTRIVANCES OF ANTS.

How They Succeeded in Removing the Body of a Large Centipede.

A gentleman in the Island of St. Croix instituted several experiments with reference to ascertaining the truth of what he had often been told, of the ingenuity and apparent reasonings of the ants of that beautiful island. Having slain a centipede which had been sent him by a friend, he laid it on the window-sill within his apartment, where, though not a single individual of that mischievous race of vermin had been seen, to his great gratification, in the course of a few hours, one solitary ant suddenly made its appearance through a crevice in the casing, attracted, probably, by the odor of the dead body.

Shortly after, having surveyed the premises, it disappeared, but speedily returned with a host of companions, to whom the discovery of a prize had unquestionable been communicated; a more careful survey of the magnitude of the object was evidently instituted. The whole company then disappeared simultaneously through the crack; but an army was put in requisition, for the third appearance was a multitude. Having mounted the carcass, examined minutely its exact position, and satisfied themselves that it was actually bereft of life, and that no danger would be incurred from their premeditated operations, a new and unlooked-for series of labors was commenced, bearing such a striking analogy to human reason, as manifested in what is commonly called "contrivances," that if there is no intelligence in it—why, the metaphysicians have in reservation an unexplored field of observation.

Not being able to move the mass entire, they divided themselves into platoons, and cut the body into portions of about half an inch in length, which was effectually and skillfully done between a late hour in the afternoon and the following night, and each piece transported to their object, through some conspicuous aperture of sufficient diameter to allow the loads to pass. When the observer arose at daylight, every part had been carried away but the head, which was really moving off toward the hole, surrounded by an immense concourse of admiring spectators, probably on the spot, happy in the delightful anticipation of future feasts and revellings. On further scrutiny, he found that the decapitated head was mounted on the backs of about a dozen bearers, who, like a Roman phalanx with a testudo upon their shoulders, were marching off in an orderly manner toward the same orifice through which all the rest had disappeared.—N. Y. Ledger.

ON EXHIBITION HERE.
Valuable Painters Furnished by the Dime Museum Lecturer.

The several signs at the door announced a grand exhibition of snakes, a tattooed woman, wax figures representing the Twelve Disciples and the Last Supper, with rare animals, etc. As we entered the place the lecturer was all ready to begin. He said: "Ladies and gentlemen, this lady was tattooed by the savages of Borneo. Some call it tattooed and some tattooed, but it all means the same thing. Next to her is a guerilla from Africa. The guerilla is noted for sucking the blood of people when asleep. I don't know whether it is when the guerilla or the people is asleep, and odds is the difference to you."

"This good people," he continued, passing to the next cage, "is the celebrated buoy constructor, from South America. This reptile is able to crush an ox in his folds. On the left of him is the raccoon, so called from its gait, which is that of a reeling horse. Next beyond is a beaver, which secured its name from Beaver Falls, Wis. This animal on the right is called a porcupine, so named from its love of pork, and that on the left is an opossum. The last named creature gets its name from the Grecian word op, the Latin word pos, and the Hebrew word sum."

He then posed before the wax figures, and went on: "This disciple is John, that one Hercules, that one Mark, that one Cleopatra, and so on; all good men except Judas Scariot. Each figure is an exact reproduction of the celebrated painting by Xerox, and virtue to its own reward." An old gentleman with spectacles hung in our rear as we went out, and said to the lecturer: "Aren't you mistaken about Hercules?"

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"Oh, no, no, no! You are doubtless right—quite right—and of course you know your business. Only—" "Only what?"

"Oh, well, never mind. It struck me as a little queer, but I guess it's all right—all right. It was because I am a little rusty on such matters, probably. Very entertaining, very, and I shall call again."—N. Y. Sun.

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Women in Conference.

There is a question which, at the present time is agitating the minds of our good Methodist brothers and sisters to a considerable extent. It is a question not new to the minds of the leaders of the church, but this is the first time that it has ever been put before the congregation of laymen all over the states. It is the question of sending women as delegates to the general conference of the church, which meets every year. Until two years ago this was hardly thought of.

This is a day of many departures. New ideas are born as fast as old ones are resurrected. Not many years ago some ambitious woman came to the decision that it was as unfair for them not to vote on political questions as it was for the colonists of former days to have been taxed without representation. The result was the great woman's suffrage movement. This movement has grown wonderfully and some of the greatest minds of our times endorse it. But it is not our purpose to speak of women in politics, but women in the church.

Since the Wesleyans laid the foundations of the Methodist Episcopal church it has been the custom of the prominent male workers in the churches throughout this country to meet in general assembly once each year. The delegates to the conference are men only. Last year the question of admitting women as delegates came up before the general conference and the eminent divines voted that they should not be admitted. Bishop J. H. Vincent was one of the principal workers against the movement and his influence is considered of great weight in all questions. The vote at this conference was a heavy blow to the movement, but during the past year it has recovered itself and is now making more rapid strides than ever.

In fact, it has grown so that it was decided, several months ago, to submit the question to the people of the church. Their decision will of course settle it. The opinion of the laymen will be known as soon as all the churches have held elections. The result of the vote in this city is rather strange. The members of Vermont Street M. E. church voted almost unanimously in favor of admitting the women, while the German M. E. churches voted almost unanimously the other way. The reason of this is probably on account of the disposition of women themselves. German women care more to stay at their homes and less to bother their brains with parliamentary or business questions and transactions. They love their churches as far as worshiping in them is concerned, and are even more faithful in their attendance upon the means of grace than are the men.

This is undoubtedly true of women of any denomination. But the German woman loves to stay at home and reign in her modest, queenly fashion, and do for those who call her "mother." Since the women predominate in nearly every church, and since we have seen that the German women care not for public affairs, either in church or state, we may conclude that, when election day comes, she will not go to the church to cast her vote. If she does she will probably vote against the members of her sex being represented in a general conference.

In English speaking churches women take a more active part in the business affairs. They have a desire to voice their sentiments in the business sessions of the church, hence they go to the polls and vote in favor of women going to the conference.

The decision of the issue rests, we may safely say, with women, since they outnumber the men in the church. In this case women can not say that men are selfish and want things their own way. If the women want to go to conference they have a right to vote and thus express that desire. It does not seem right for such men as Bishop Vincent to exert their strongest efforts against women having a voice in church legislation.

The women of the M. E. church now have a good chance to show to the world whether or not they intend to go with the men to general conference, and there, with voice and vote, exert their influence in the great warfare against sin.—Quincy Journal.

A HORRIBLE FATE. Mrs. Rachel Boggs, Aged 74, Cremated in a Burning House.

One of the most horrible catastrophes that was ever known in this community occurred during the early hours of Friday morning, when the farm house occupied by Robert Boggs and his four children, about 2 1/2 miles southeast of Mt. Sterling, burned to the ground and Mrs. Boggs' mother was cremated with it.

Mrs. Rachel Boggs was an old lady aged 74 years, who made her home with Dr. D. W. Owens, near Hersman. She was visiting her son and grandchildren on Thursday and stayed over night with them. Sometime between 2 and 3 o'clock in the morning Mrs. Boggs was awakened and discovered the kitchen in the rear end of the house was on fire. He gave the alarm, awaking his children and mother and telling them to flee for their lives. He then opened a door leading from his mother's bedroom into the kitchen and the flames and smoke burst into his face, burning his face and hands terribly. In the meantime Mrs. Boggs had called to her granddaughter to open a door leading from her bedroom to another room from which she could escape. The young lady opened the door and supposed her grandmother immediately went out, but such seems not to have been the case; those who were present differ on this point. Some think the old lady started for the door but was overcome by the smoke and heat, while others say she had gone out and returned for something. At any rate she was not seen again until the front wall of the house fell outward and her charred remains came with it. It was a horrible sight and those who witnessed it will not soon forget the scene. The body was taken out as soon as it was discovered, but it was burned beyond recognition, parts of the body being taken up with a shovel.

But a few articles of household furniture were saved from the house. The house was owned by Fred Brockman of this city and was insured for \$200. Mr. Boggs had no insurance on the contents, but that is lost sight of in the terrible calamity by which his dearest friend was taken from him. Mr. Boggs came here from Kansas last Spring and had lived in the house only about six weeks.

The coroner thought an inquest unnecessary, as there was no doubt as to the cause of death. The charred remains of Mrs. Boggs were placed in a casket and taken to Dr. Owens' residence. The time for the funeral at this writing has not been appointed. It will doubtless be largely attended, as Mrs. Boggs was well known and respected by everyone.—Democrat Message.

Bluffs Briefs.

DEAR NEWS:—I received a copy of your valuable paper of last issue and I must say am much pleased with it. I think its editors deserve much credit, for their editorials are in keeping with the spirit of the times.

Let the people turn out and give Georgia Hamlin a rousing house. Friday night, as Mr. Lewis is fortunate in securing the attraction as she has always played cities. Prices, adults 35 cents; all children 25 cents.

Surprise parties are the order of the day. One at McAbey's Wednesday evening, when their daughter, Clara, was the recipient of many valuable presents. Also one at James Hale's in honor of his daughter, Miss Alice.

We have a flourishing village with a population of over 400 and rapidly increasing. Twelve new houses have been erected here this season and others are under way. We have six dry goods and grocery stores, drugs and hardware, &c., two grain firms, two hotels, one livery and feed stable, two blacksmith shops, one dealer in poultry and eggs, and we are to have, in the near future, a fine flour mill with a capacity of 150 barrels per day.

We have a fine graded school with Prof. McIntire as principal and Mrs. White as intermediate. The primary school is in the new room, presided over by Miss Sadie Merriss. Two churches, the M. P. and Catholic. We have a fine writing school in the high school room, under the auspices of the prince of good fellows, Prof. Henderson, of Versailles. The Professors school closes next Saturday night and I trust that he may be induced to teach another term. Now all we need to make our village more prosperous is an advertising medium and I trust a hint to the wise is sufficient.

From Naples.

Ralph Bushnell was on our streets last Thursday.

Mr. Fulwiler has returned from a years sojourn in the country.

Miss Clara McCorve returned home Thursday last after a visit with friends here.

C. K. Lee attended the convention of Modern Woodman at Springfield last week.

Miss Helen Digby, of Barry, spent Saturday with her sister, Alice, who is teaching here.

Mrs. Hale and family have moved back from Jacksonville, where they been living for some time.

Quite a number of young folks went to your city last Thursday evening. We suppose they attended the ball.

Wallie Kinison left last Tuesday evening for Pendleton, Oregon, where he will join his brother, Charles, who has been there for some months.

Wallace Chapman, representative of Amicitia Lodge, is attending the meeting of the Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., at Springfield this week.

It is rumored here that there was an election held on the 4th of November, but we find no republicans who are ready to substantiate the story. The democrats contend that it is true, but if it is, we wonder we did not hear of it at the time. We are very sure that we were not in it.

Amicitia Lodge, I. O. O. F., is having the lodge room cleaned, painted and papered. It is to be lighted with new Rochester lamps and will be one of the most neat and tasty lodge rooms to be found anywhere. W. M. Raper is doing the work which is a guaranty that it will be done in the most satisfactory manner. The lodge is in a flourishing condition and can well afford to put on a little style.

Chambersburg Items.

Messrs A. G. Metz and Oscar Dennis are attending court this week as petit jurors.

Frank Ellis and his sister, Ida, were visiting their sister, Mrs. Henry Sash, Sunday.

Lou Hardy, who has been sick for some time with typhoid fever is better at this writing.

Amo Wendling, of this place, and Miss Anna Rigg were married at Pittsfield Wednesday last.

Geo. H. Dunn, of this place, and Miss Mary Littlekate, of Perry, were united in marriage at the State Capital on Wednesday of last week.

Miss Doris Meyers died of typhoid fever and was buried Wednesday at the Brown cemetery. Two more of the family are very sick with typhoid fever.

Some of our young men are talking of organizing a brass band and they are the kind of men who mean business when they undertake a thing of this kind. We have as good musical talent here as any place, why not have a good band?

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SINCE Mr. and Mrs. Stanley arrived
in this country there has been an unex-
pected flow of Stanley talk.

THERE are some people who con-
fidently believe that this time next year
the Alliance will be legislating the
price of turkeys.—Wichita Eagle.

PIERRE, the recently chosen capitol
of South Dakota, has already this season
been threatened with a flood caused
by an ice gorge in the Missouri.

THERE seems to be a need of more
journals in the world. Some one has
figured out that there is only one news-
paper in the world to every 85,000 peo-
ple; but there people all the time who
are ready to rush in and fill a long felt
want.

IN the next general assembly in Mis-
souri there will be a democratic ma-
jority of 99 on joint ballot. There will
be in both houses 135 democrats, 24
republicans, one union labor, three
Farmers' Alliance and one independ-
ent member. The last general assem-
bly had 108 democratic members.

CLARENCE FINCH, late editor of the
Baldwin Ledger, and Miss Price, pro-
fessor of English literature at Baker
University, were married Nov. 14, at
the home of the bride. Both parties
are to be congratulated. Schoolma'ams
always make good wives and editors
are sure to make model husbands.—
K. C. Star.

SINCE the passage of the McKinley
law every American drummer doing
business in Victoria has been required
to take out a license of \$50. This only
allows him to sell goods by sample un-
til Jan. 1, when every foreign sales-
man must pay a fee of \$100 for the
privilege. Last Saturday eight Amer-
icans were arrested and fined \$50 each.

ABOUT 1,600 anarchists marched with
music to the Waldheim cemetery in
Chicago last Sunday and there partici-
pated in the third anniversary exer-
cises over the graves of the "martyrs."
The principal address was delivered by
H. E. Bartholmey, a tall, thin, man,
formerly a lawyer. Mrs. Lucy Parsons
was unable to be present, being in jail
at Newark, N. J., with several other
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Beaver shawls from.....	1.50 to 3.00
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sell cheap and we do.

Death of Lewis C. Thompson.

MONTROSE, COLO., Nov. 1, 1890.

MR. GEO. GRAHAM:

It is with feelings of sorrow deep
and painful that I write you this to
inform you that our darling Lou has
gone from us forever. Oh! it seems
too hard to be called upon to endure
such a awful grief. We sympathize
with you in your sorrow. Such suf-
fering makes this world seem so dark and
so bleak. How well you know what
dear brother Lou was to us all, and
hard it is for us to do without him.
The enclosed obituary, taken from the
Canon City, (Colo.) paper, I wish you
would have copied in the Meredosia
paper.

LAURA T. WHITE.

Mr. JAMES H. SEAR, the newly elected sheriff
of Morgan county, has appointed Mr. Warren
Case, of this city, as his chief deputy. This
appointment will probably take Mr. Case and
family to Jacksonville—Quincy Journal.

What is the matter with Morgan
county? Has she not got a man com-
petent to fill the office of chief deputy?
Why does Mr. Sear have to go to an-
other county to appoint his deputies?

Cars for the Southeastern.

The J. S. E. line is no longer the lit-
tle "Jack route." It has outgrown its
short pants period, and now bears the
dignity and does the business of a full
fledged railway system. Its rush of
business ever since last spring and the
constantly increasing demand for cars,
has made it necessary for the manage-
ment to order a new lot from the mak-
ers. Five hundred are being made for
them in one of the leading car works
of the west, and it is said that they
will soon be out and in service. The
nine new coaches being built for the
road at St. Charles, Mo. will be out
about December 1st. Three of them
will be chair cars, elegantly fitted
with every modern convenience. Six
palace sleeping cars will be added to
the equipment of the line. One will
run between Peoria and St. Louis,
one between Peoria and Chicago, while
four will be on the Chicago St. Louis
through trains.

The new time card goes into effect
on Sunday, and though the Chicago St.
Louis service will not begin until
Dec. 1st, the J. S. E. line will have
trains running on the time of the
through trains until the Santa Fe is
ready to join them in the joint service
two weeks later. The next thing,
"will be new shops to take the place
of the old buildings now used in the
third ward. There are several towns
that are ready to make a big bid for
their location, among them Litchfield
and Pekin. There is little probability,
though," he added, "that either of
them will get a chance."

The rock needed now used in the
badly and it will probably not be a
great while until one is built.—Jack-
sonville Journal.

Gold Standard flour for sale at M. E.
Geiss and Keener & Pike.

Bill Lanier Captured.

The notorious Bill Lanier, whose
depredations in the eastern part of
the county have been noted from time
to time in the Democrat-Messenger,
again in limbo after many unsuccess-
ful attempts on the part of the officers
of the law to capture him. He was
arrested in Rushville Tuesday, while
attempting to sell a horse which he
had stolen the night before from
Simpson Dunbar, living nine miles
southeast of this city. He gave his
name as Brown in Rushville, and the
actions were such as to arouse the
suspicions of the officers of Rushville,
who took him in.

Lanier had been in Mr. Dunbar's
employ as a farm hand from March
until a few weeks ago, or just before
the goods were taken from George
Bordenkircher's residence. He was
seen by Mr. Dunbar about the pre-
sented the evening before the horse was
missed, and Mr. Dunbar was pre-
sented as to what had become
of the horse. As soon as he discov-
ered the theft Mr. Dunbar and his
neighbor, Francis Perry, started out
in search of the thief, coming to this
city in the evening to secure the aid
of Sheriff Shanklin. On arriving here
they heard of Lanier's arrest in Rush-
ville and at 10 o'clock Tuesday night
in company with Marshal Finch start-
ed for Rushville with a state warrant
for Lanier. The authorities gave up
their prisoner and the horse, which
was a fine mare valued at \$200. Lanier
was brought back to this city and
taken before police Magistrate Brooks
for preliminary hearing. He waived
examination and was bound over to
the next term of court in \$800 bonds,
falling to give which he was taken to
jail, where he will have an opportu-
nity to brood over his wrong delin-
quency for the next four months—unless
he saws off a few bars and walks out
like late predecessors did.—Democrat-Mes-
senger.

A certain old lady says that when
she was a girl they wore dresses that
buttoned to the neck and one-button
gloves, but now they wear one-button
dresses and gloves buttoned to the
neck. While the old lady is correct,
she must remember that we are pro-
gressive race and must keep abreast
of the times, even if the girls have to
give up their one-buttoned dress and
wear only a skirt.—Essex.

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J. H. CARVER

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Would most respectfully announce to the many friends of this and adjoining counties that after selling you goods for
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with a larger stock of goods than ever that I want to call your attention to:

Our light brown sugar 20 pounds for	\$1.00
" fine granulated sugar, 14 pounds for	1.00
" Imperial tea 3 pounds for	1.00
" roasted Cordova coffee 4 pounds for	1.00
" best green coffee 4 pounds for	1.00

Our Stock of Clothing

Is very large and has been selected with great care—as to quality and style cannot be improved—and
range in prices from

\$3.00 TO \$10.00 A SUIT.

OUR CHILDRENS' CLOTHING

TO FIT A BOY FROM FOUR YEARS OLD TO THE LARGEST MAN AND RANGING IN PRICE

FROM \$1.00 PER SUIT UP.

OUR OVERCOATS. WE WILL SURPRISE YOU
in styles and quality and price. THEY ARE GOOD VALUES.

Our Ladies and Childrens' Cloth and Plush Jackets
and cloaks are very handsome and prices very
low. Come see them and be satisfied.

OUR GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS

Department is full. We can show you a fine line of
Underwear, Fancy Flannel Shirts, Neck Ties
and in fact everything kept in that
department is handsome.

IN OUR DRY GOODS AND NOTION

Department you will find all the latest patterns and
styles in Dress Goods, Hosiery, Plushes, Ribbons,
Dress Trimming, Buttons and many varieties
belonging to that department.

WE HAVE A NICE LINE OF CARPETS WHICH WE SELL CHEAP

Our line of HATS and CAPS, BUCK GLOVES are of
the best makes.

OUR STOCK OF GROCERIES, BOOTS & SHOES
QUEENSWARE, HARDWARE,

And in fact all the departments are very full. We invite the public to an inspection of these goods and prices and
I will assure you that you will be kindly treated by our Salesmen, Messrs. John Kratz, Luckmeyer and
Loman, whether you buy goods or not. Come and see us. Thanking you for the
very large patronage you have given me, I am truly yours,

J. H. CARVER.

The Meredosia News.

PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY

When no time is specified, advertise-
ments and local notices will be published un-
til ordered discontinued.

MEREDOSIA AND VICINITY.

—Lard, 7c.
—Oats, 40c.
—Corn, 40c.
—Meal, 80c.
—Eggs, 16c.
—Wheat, 90c.
—Flour, \$1.25.
—Butter, 12c.
—Bran, 70c. cwt.
—Coarse Meal, 60c.
—Shipstuffs, 80c. cwt.
—Hogs, \$3.50.
—Potatoes, \$1. to \$1.20.
—Sweet Potatoes, \$1.00.
—Mixed Feed, 75c. cwt.
—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
—E. Hatfield, of Naples, was here
Monday.

For gents' underwear go to the cash
store of M. E. Geiss.

—Thursday, our publication day, is
Thanksgiving.

New raisins and currents at the
cheap cash store of M. E. Geiss.

—The Hebe is making regular trips
up and down the river.

Four pounds best rio roast coffee for
\$1. at the cash store of M. E. Geiss.

—D. Schroll, our fish man, spent
several days in St. Louis this week on
business.

Don't fail to see Georgie Hamlin in
her new play of "Little Vic" Friday
night at Lewis' Opera House, Bluffs.

—Meredosia certainly is on the im-
prove. She now has four mails a day,
a thing she has never before enjoyed.

Have you tried the Gold Standard
flour? For sale by M. E. Geiss and
Keener & Pike.

—Mrs. Rosa Brash, of Beardstown,
has been visiting with her father, M.
S. Lewinson.

Try a sack of our Gold Standard
flour. Kept by M. E. Geiss and Keener
& Pike. CLAYTON MILLING CO.

—Misses Nellie Lindsay and Buhla
Abrams, visited Dr. Neville and wife
Tuesday.

Go to M. E. Geiss or Keener & Pike
and buy a sack of the celebrated Gold
Standard flour.

—Dad Rousch took the Pike for St.
Louis Tuesday, to take a position as
watchman on the Calhoun for the
winter.

Boys, secure your seats and invite
your girl to see Georgie Hamlin in "Lit-
tle Vic" Nov. 21-22.

—C. W. Hyde is in Springfield this
week attending the session of the
Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F. Mr. Hyde is
the representative from Bluffs lodge.

Don't forget that you can always
find the celebrated Gold Standard
flour at Keener & Pike's and M. E.
Geiss.

—James Ward and wife, of Naples,
were the guests of friends in this place
last week.

The best flour on the market is the
Gold Standard. For sale by Keener
& Pike and M. E. Geiss.

—Henry Lowers, of Elkhorn, Brown
county, came to this place and took
passage on the steamer Pike for St.
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Georgie Hamlin at Lewis' Opera
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—About twenty of John Burras
friends surprised him at his home five
miles east of this place one night last
week. A good time was indulged in
by all until a very late hour when the
guests departed for their homes. All
declare it an evening well spent.

D. Waters is the place to buy your
watches, clocks, jewelry and spec-
tacles.

—Every little while some fellow
knows how the thing ought to be done
intimates to us that it would be a good
plan to give this or that person a little
"rub" in the paper for some wrong
that he is practicing in the commu-
nity, but we have always noticed that
the person that is so anxious to see the
shortcomings of his neighbor portrayed
in print never, if he happens to
stray from the paths of rectitude,
urges the mention of the same in his
paper.—Griggsville Press.

When a man is born with a silver
spoon in his mouth and there brags of
his capital and good qualities, I say
he is off his base, but when a man is
born rough shod and traveling smooth
over all obstructions, I say that is the
man to deal with. Lewinson is the
man that can sell you good goods
cheaper and more economically than
the big man of gall, guts and brains.
Give me a call and learn how to get
rich.—Yours,
M. S. LEWINSON.

—Jno. Silverberg, of Mt. Sterling,
is in the city.

—The Pike came in six hours ahead
of time Tuesday.

—James Crawford, of Bluffs, was in
the city Wednesday.

—Jas. Edmundson is visiting rela-
tives and friends here.

—Meredosia has a merchant that
says it don't pay to advertise.

—Allen Kennison, of Naples, was
here after lumber on Tuesday.

—John Bartell was a business caller
in this place one day last week.

—Louis Smith, of Concord, spent
Sunday with Meredosia friends.

—Mr. Tash, son and daughter, of
Naples, were visiting here last week.

—Will Hauser and Milo Ripley were
in Jacksonville Saturday on business.

—Prof. Higgins and daughter, of
Naples, were in town Tuesday morn-
ing.

—Brown county farmers shipped
hogs to St. Louis via the Pike Tues-
day.

—Harve Wilson, of Mt. Sterling,
spent Sunday with his patents in this
place.

—On the first Saturday in December
our village election occurs. The issue
will be whiskey or no whiskey.

—Quite a number from this place
will go to Bluffs Friday evening to see
Georgie Hamlin in "Little Vic."

—The rains the past few days have
been of great benefit to the farmers,
as the wheat was needing it badly.

—A corn shucking match was held
between Ed Hammond and Geo.
Butcher one day last week. Ham-
mond came out ahead, getting 142
bushels and 14 pounds and Butcher
shucking 140 bushels and 30 pounds.

—The vote in regard to women as
delegates to the general conference of
the M. E. church was taken here one
day last week. The vote was sixteen-
for and one against. Naples held her
vote Tuesday and 25 votes were cast
all being for.

—M. E. Geiss comes forward this
week with a new ad. which our read-
ers will please notice. A full and com-
plete line of dry goods, groceries, to-
baccos, cigars, etc., can always be
found at that place. Give them a call
and see for yourself.

—By invitation of the Horticul-
turalists of Southern Illinois, the
thirty-first annual meeting of that
society will be held at Cairo, Al-
though situated at the extreme south-
ern point of the state, that city is
easily accessible from all directions;
and as her people are noted for their
public spirit and hospitality, and the
railroads and hotels give very liberal
rates, a large, enjoyable and profit-
able meeting is assured.

—In our items to The Journal two
weeks ago there was an article which,
when we wrote it, was intended to be
a joke and expected it to be taken as
such. It was the item concerning
Will Curry and when to print the
article did seem to be a little more
severe on Mr. Curry than we expected.
We had no intention whatever of
hurting the feelings of Mr. Curry or
any one else. Will is always ready to
give a joke and usually is ready to take
one in return, but this one is a little
too tough. The many little incidents
happening while away on the fishing
trip were thrown together, and thus
the story. We had remembered his
being almost sick a day or two had
not forgotten his calling upon the
young ladies at Naples, nor the acci-
dental discharge of his gun, which
came very near sending a load of shot
into his foot; neither, upon his trip
home, the meeting of his brother at
Meredosia, who was on his way to join
the party at fishing. This with many
other little incidents gave us a founda-
tion for what we hoped would prove a
huge joke to offset the many little
chucks he had made at the writer and
others. It seems it has not been
taken as it was intended, and as Mr.
Curry is not feeling the best about it,
we make this explanation.—Clayton
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NOTICE.—The Publishers of this paper hold themselves responsible for any views that may be advanced by correspondents. To insure insertion communications must reach us not later than Tuesday noon. Correspondence solicited.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

Jacksonville has a new bank. Barry is to have a new lumber yard. Elmwood, Ill., has a fair association. Good Hope, Ill., is to have another newspaper.

The state fair at Peoria is said to have netted \$15,000.

Rushville proposes to extend her boundaries one-half mile each way.

Hancock county has 102 Sunday schools with an attendance of 4,367.

C. B. & Q. pay-roll at Galesburg is said to foot up nearly \$100,000 per month.

Mr. Sides, of Versailles, takes R. L. Underwood's place as principal of the Perry schools.

A dangerous counterfeit silver dollar has made its appearance in Carlinville. The date is of 1880 and the coin is rather thick, but of good weight.

A fine 4-year-old deer, a magnificent buck was killed by men at work in Pike County on Spring Lake Island. This is the first deer killed in the county for many a long year.

A young man named Thompson, a freight brakeman on the C. B. & Q. road, was killed at Basco, Hancock county, Saturday night while coupling cars. He lived in Adams county.

A little child of Mr. Parker, residing in Wythe township, Hancock county, was bitten by a rabid dog Saturday. The animal has since died in spasms. The child's parents have sought a mad stone.

More than a year ago Will Graff, of Cass county, was sentenced to the penitentiary for four years for cattle stealing. The Supreme Court of this state has granted Graff a new trial, and he is now out on \$2,000 bail.

James Henderson, a well known farmer living six miles southwest of Canton, while crossing the T. P. & W. tracks at the latter place on Saturday evening a week ago, was struck by a train and sustained injuries from which he died on the following Monday.

Henry Schubert, of Peoria, Ill., tried to see how quick he could get married after being divorced and accomplished it in seventeen minutes. It, however, took him two hours to get rid of the smell of the bushel of eggs thrown against him by his fellow citizens.—Ex.

They had a rat killing at Charley Gilmer's last Saturday and among the two men, boys and dogs, made away with one hundred and ten of the pests. The rats had congregated under a stable floor and until the war of extermination set in they had things their own way.—Barry Adage.

A woman was at the depot at Decatur, Ill., the other day who was on her way to Nebraska. She had seventeen children with her. She had been married only ten years. The first three years she had triplets. Then she had twins for two years. After that they came singly, but regularly, for four years.

Patrick Mulled, an old resident of Brown county, died at his home about seven miles south of Mt. Sterling, at 4 o'clock last Wednesday morning, of the 5th inst. While removing stumps about two months since he injured his hip, and the injury together with brooding over the loss of a son who was recently killed at Kansas City caused death.

The 11 year old child of Mr. Welton, of Gileherst, Mercer county, leaped against a rotten well curb which gave way with her and she fell to the bottom of a 40 foot well. There was only 18 inches of water in it and the child was not even scratched by the fall. She seemed to realize it would do no good to call for help and "unassisted" climbed out little the worse for the accident.

A Hannibal man found five bank notes aggregating \$200, in an old Bible the other day. They had been put there during the war, and although the Bible had been in his possession ever since, it had never been discovered. All but \$5 of the notes were on the defunct Missouri State Bank, and are, of course worthless. If the gentleman had only formed the pious resolve to read his Bible some fifteen years ago, he would have been \$200 better off.

Commander Distin Makes His New Appointments and Issues an Appeal to G. A. R. Posts.

In his last report Col. W. L. Distin, department commander, of the G. A. R., announces the following appointments as aid-de-camps:

G. W. Smith, Bushnell; Jacob Gross, Chicago; J. L. Morgan, Quincy; Wm. Hanna, P. O. Golden; T. J. Kinney, Vermont; D. H. Shrader, Bushnell. Comrade John W. Slade, assistant inspector for Adams county, is detailed to inspect the posts of Pike county.

The department commander appeals to the comrades of all posts only to elect as officers from their number such comrades as are known to be prompt in the discharge of their duties, add to be zealous in the work of the Grand Army of the Republic. Posts are especially requested to retain the services of efficient and experienced adjutants and quartermasters as long as they can be induced to fill their positions.

The representation of this department at the national encampment in 1891 will be based on the number in good standing December 31, 1890. In addition to the pride every officer and comrade should feel in the growth and prosperity of his post, let us, each and every one, strive to place the department of Illinois at the very front. This can be done by every officer and comrade taking it upon himself to recruit at least one comrade for the post, or by securing the reinstatement of some dropped comrade.—Quincy Journal.

—We call the attention of our readers to the time table of the Jacksonville Southeastern railroad. Any one wishing to travel by railroad can do no better than to take the J. S. E.

—The Georgia Hamlin Theater Co. had a date to appear here on the evening of the 21st and 22d, and the advance agent, Paul G. Hamlin, was here last Friday for the purpose of billing the town, but as he did not like the lay out for an opera house, he cancelled the dates. The company will appear at Bluffs on the above nights. The opening they will present Little Vick. Bluffs has one of the neatest opera houses between Springfield and Quincy.

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Passenger, 6:35 p. m., 12:25 a. m.
Trains leave Peoria coming south at 7:40 a. m., 1:15 p. m., 5:00 p. m., 11:15 p. m.
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4 packages best roast coffee, 1 00
20 lb. light brown sugar, 1 00
14 1-2 lb granulated sugar, 1 00
All-Wool flannel per yard, 18
Canton " " " 6 1-4
Blankets per pair, 75
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Boys " " " 50
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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our regular correspondence.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21, 1890.

Washington may now truthfully claim to be the headquarters of the makers of political history. Never during the last twenty-five years has there been more political activity displayed here than there is now, and it is increasing every day as the city fills up with the men who control the destinies of the great political parties of the country. Here will be fought, this winter, the preliminary skirmish of the great battle of '92, and a good many people are beginning to think that engagement will be a triangular one, and if the combination between the labor organizations and Farmers Alliance, that wonderful organization which has frightened the professional politicians nearly out of their wits, can be perfected by that time, there are certainly squalls ahead for somebody.

Public interest is centered in the final session of the Fifty-first Congress, which meets Monday, December 1, and conjecture is rife as to what will be done. Whatever is done the methods of doing it will be highly interesting, because of the personnel of the republican House. Many of the republicans, particularly those that were nominated and defeated at the late election, feel so sore that they would be willing to adopt the most radical political legislation that could possibly be proposed and the Speaker is generally supposed to be ready to aid them in every way in his power, and those who watched the legislation in the House at the last session can form an idea of what that means. But there is another element in that party headed by Mr. Blaine that will attempt to steer a more conservative course.

The matters which are certain to come up during the three months of this short session, to say nothing of those that may unexpectedly be brought up, will make it notable in Congressional history. The first thing to come up in the Senate will be the Federal Election bill, and that it will be fought to the last extremity by the democrats is a certainty. Nevertheless it is believed that it will be passed in a modified form. In the House the first thing to be taken up will be an appropriation bill, and that will also be fought by the democrats, but it will be certain to pass in the shape that will give the republicans all the advantage possible—it would be just reversed were the democrats in the position of the republicans. The game of politics is, get all you can.

The question of free coinage of silver is going to make a rumpled too, and the general impression is that it will be adopted, although it is still opposed by Mr. Harrison and his Secretary of Treasury. But it is whispered that Mr. Blaine has made up his mind to bring about free coinage at this session of Congress as a special concession to the Farmers' Alliance, which he is said to be particularly anxious to conciliate. There will not be much difficulty in getting a bill through Congress, as the Senate is already on record as favoring it, and it was trickery that defeated it in the House at the last session.

Another troublesome matter is that of pensions. It's bound to come up in some shape or other. It is claimed that by the end of the fiscal year the annual payments for pensions will have reached \$200,000,000, which added to other expenses of the Government will amount to considerably more than our receipts. What is to be done? Not a baker's dozen votes could be secured for repealing any portion of the pension laws, so that some method of increasing our revenues will have to be found, if these claims prove to be correct. But how? That's an interesting question. Some answer it by proposing a graduated income tax, others by increasing the tax on whiskey. But wait until the question comes up in Congress, then you will hear some interesting things.

The Speakership campaign, which gets warmer and warmer, will furnish some mighty interesting political news before it is ended, and it is believed that it will also be the

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A PRESENT

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It is with pleasure that we announce to our many patrons that we have made arrangements with the wide-awake, illustrated farm magazine, the AMERICAN FARMER, published at Fort Wayne, Ind., and read by nearly 200,000 farmers by which that great publication will be mailed direct, FREE, to the address of any of our subscribers who will come in and pay up all arrears on subscription and one year in advance from date, and to any new subscriber who will pay one year in advance. This is a grand opportunity to obtain a first-class farm journal free. The AMERICAN FARMER is a large 16-page journal, of national circulation, which ranks among the leading agricultural papers. It treats the question of economy in agricultural and the rights and privileges of that vast body of citizens—American Farmers—whose industry is the basis of all material and national prosperity. Its highest purpose is the elevation and ennobling of agriculture through the higher and broader education of men and women engaged in its pursuits. The regular subscription price of the AMERICAN FARMER is \$1.00 per year. IT COSTS YOU NOTHING. From any one number ideas can be obtained that will be worth twice the subscription price to you or members of your household, yet you get it FREE. Call and see sample copy.

STANLEY'S opening lectures in New York netted \$10,000.

RUNNING for office is to much like a lottery, a chance to please everybody.

HERR Most, the boss anarchist, undertook to speak in Cincinnati Monday night, but the mayor said "no."

POLITICAL bossism seems to be played out everywhere, except in New York City, where Tammany's grip is stronger than ever.

SPEAKING of the House of Representatives of the Fifty second Congress, we might almost say that the republicans are not in it.

"GOOD-BYE, old fellow," were the last words spoken by Birchall, and strange, too, they were addressed to the executioner, with whom he was shaking hands.

BEFORE the fight for the Speakership of the next House of Representatives is ended some democrats will be ready to wish they had been beaten at the recent election.

A NUMBER of people in Sedalia, Mo., are in a peculiar fix, having been married by a justice of the peace, who, it appears, was not a justice and had no right to perform marriage ceremonies.

THE Farmers Alliance turned out to be much stronger than people outside of the organization dreamed of its being. It is a force that will compel recognition in the future, if it can maintain its compactness.

BIRCHALL, the condemned murderer, has been buying Christmas gifts for some of his Canadian friends. It will be impossible for his friends to reciprocate, if they wait until Christmas, owing to the difficulty which will then exist of locating or communicating with Mr. Birchall, as he was hanged on the 14th inst.

TYPE-SETTING machines continue to be patented and there is a continual increase in the alluring baits held out to induce the public to take stock in companies for their manufacture. In the course of time doubtless a successful and practical machine will be invented, but up to date there is no machine which compares for reliability and economy with the human type-setter.

DAVID MCADAM, the Tammany candidate for judgeship in New York, swears that his election cost him \$14,835.58. He was elected for 14 years at a salary is \$15,000 a year.

WHY is it that everybody always exaggerates the wealth of a wealthy man? That they do, cannot be denied. Here is a case in point. When Flood, one of the Bonanza Kings, died, his estate was valued in the newspapers, at from ten to twenty-five millions of dollars, and it now turns out from the official accounts of his executors to have been worth just \$2,300,437.

THE value of clever advertising was never better exemplified than by the present lecture tour of Explorer Stanley. Several years ago he cancelled most of his engagements in this country, and his manager, who had been losing money on him, was mighty glad to have him do it because he was summoned to go back to Africa in search of Emin Pasha. The other day at his opening lecture in New York City every orchestra chair in the theatre was sold in advance for \$10 each and the private boxes for from \$100 to \$250 each. He is the same Stanley now that he was when he spoke to empty seats, but he has been better advertised. This is the age of advertising and the business man who fails to comprehend that fact will soon find himself out of the swim.

THE New York sun, has taken a fresh start in its war upon Mr. Cleveland. It calls him, by implication, a "skulker" and a "coward." There is something in this when it is remembered that in New York the Sun is regarded as the special champion and organ of victorious Tammany Hall. Gov. Hill came out squarely for Tammany and Mr. Cleveland didn't though he now, probably wishes that he had. But the Sun seems to be on the wrong track any way. Whatever faults Mr. Cleveland may have, skulking and cowardice are not among them. Had he lacked moral courage of the highest order he would still have been President, for even the Sun must acknowledge that it required a high degree of courage to write the celebrated tariff message which defeated Mr. Cleveland for a second term. Let us have more fairness when discussing the merits of our prominent men, and our arguments will result in convincing more fair-minded men.

It was supposed that the business of issuing bogus medical diplomas had been entirely squelched in this country, but a "Medical Institute," which had no existence, except on paper, has been located at Newbury, Vermont, and the rascals operating the fraudulent scheme arrested. They ought to get life sentences.

THE SENTENCE PASSED.

Nathan Posten is Given an Additional Year in the Pen for His Assault Upon Miss Frankie Keener.

Probably the most important case during this session of circuit court has ended. Nathan Posten appeared before Judge Epler this morning and pleaded guilty to the charge made in the second indictment—namely, assault with attempt to murder—and for this he was given one year in the penitentiary. Last week the defendant in the present case was tried by jury on the charge of assaulting and attempting to kill Ralph Barcroft. He was found guilty, the jury bringing in a verdict of six years. The judge pronounced the sentence this morning, thereby making Posten's punishment seven years, which time he will be likely to spend in Joliet, unless, on account of good behavior, he is given his freedom sooner.—Jacksonville Courier.

18,000 Short.

PEORIA, Ill., Nov. 25.—Frank P. Stubenrauch, cashier of the Rock Island freight office here, is guarded at his home by two deputy sheriffs while the auditors of the road are overhauling his accounts at the office. A week ago Stubenrauch went home quite ill and has since been confined to his room with brain fever. The man who took his place discovered something wrong and notified the officials, who began work on the books. It is said that the shortage will reach \$18,000 if not more. Mr. Stubenrauch denies any defalcation and says he will come out all right. He is a prominent Knight of Pythias and has many friends who deplore the scandal. The officials of the road had the utmost confidence in him.

G. T. Thompson, a Wabash freight brakeman at Decatur, had his right arm caught between the deadwood of two cars and it was badly crushed.

Our Colorado Letter.

MARBLE, COLO., Nov. 18. EDITORS MEREDOSIAS NEWS: Having seen quite a number of copies of your paper, sent me by my friends, I have decided to subscribe for it, as I find it very pleasant and interesting to read of my old friends and acquaintances. Enclosed you will find the money to pay for one year's subscription. Please address the paper to my father, E. E. L. Reyland, Marble, Colo.

I have been in this state since April and think it is as nice a place as I ever lived in. It is very mountainous here and in the winter there is considerable snow, but during the summer months the weather is most delightful and is not unpleasant in the winter. There is a great number of valuable mines here. Men who have a thorough knowledge of mines and formations, say they know of no place in Colorado where so much wealth is visible and so little development as in this vicinity.

Here are immense beds of marble of all colors, from snow white to the deepest black, and equal to the best. There are slate quarries on every side, containing as fine slate as can be found. A little further down the valley is any amount of fine coal. There are some mines near here that produce ore, worth from \$1.20 to \$5.00 per ton.

Marble being a new town is not very large yet, but when the new railroad is commenced it will no doubt grow very rapidly. In this valley one finds a very desirable climate for health and comfort all the year round. It is also a great hunting country. Elk, deer and bear are very numerous. There has been more elk killed here than I thought was in the whole country, and deer are so common they don't kill them very much—they want elk and bear.

A great many people camp here in the summer, as it is a very pleasant and healthy place and affords numerous amusements. The lake and creek abound in mountain trout, and it is great sport to catch them. There are boats on the lake and plenty of mountains to climb. White House mountain is the highest around here, being 13,000 feet to the top. Hoping I have not intruded on your time and patience I remain, Yours truly,

F. W. REYLAND.

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fine granulated sugar, 14 pounds for 1.00
Imperial tea 3 pounds for 1.00
roasted Cordova coffee 4 pounds for 1.00
best green coffee 4 pounds for 1.00

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is very large and has been selected with great care—as to, quality and style cannot be improved—and range in prices from

\$3.00 TO \$10.00 A SUIT.

OUR CHILDRENS' CLOTHING

TO FIT A BOY FROM FOUR YEARS OLD TO THE LARGEST MAN AND RANGING IN PRICE

FROM \$1.00 PER SUIT UP.

OUR OVERCOATS.

Our Ladies and Childrens' Cloth and Plush Jackets and cloaks are very handsome and prices very low. Come see them and be satisfied.

OUR GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS

Department is full. We can show you a fine line of Underwear, Fancy Flannel Shirts, Neck Ties and in fact everything kept in that department is handsome.

IN OUR DRY GOODS AND NOTION

Department you will find all the latest patterns and styles in Dress Goods, Hosiery, Plushes, Ribbons, Dress Trimming, Buttons and many varieties belonging to that department.

WE HAVE A NICE LINE OF CARPETS WHICH WE SELL CHEAP

Our line of HATS and CAPS, BUCK GLOVES are of the best makes.

OUR STOCK OF GROCERIES, BOOTS & SHOES

QUEENSWARE, HARDWARE,

In all the departments are very full. We invite the public to an inspection of these goods and prices and I will assure you that you will be kindly treated by our Salesmen, Messrs. John Kratz, Lutzmyer and Looman, whether you buy goods or not. Come and see us. Thanking you for the very large patronage you have given me, I am truly yours,

J. H. CARVIER.

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—Butter, 12c.
—Bran, 70c. cwt.
—Coarse Meal, 60c.
—Shipstuffs, 90c. cwt.
—Hogs, \$3.50.
—Potatoes, \$1. to \$1.20.
—Sweet Potatoes, \$1.00.
—Mixed Feed, 75c. cwt.
—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
—Turkeys are roosting way up.
—Our hunters are killing lots of ducks.

—Call at this office for all kinds of fancy job work.
—Frank McWane, of Versailles was here Monday.
—Mrs. Chas. Lewis, of Versailles, spent Saturday in this place.
—Miss Nora Turner, of Jacksonville visited her parents last week.
—Henry Hodges has returned after a month's sojourn in Kansas.

—Charlie Bowman has been sent to Berlin to work by the Wabash.
—Peter Haley, an old resident of Griggsville, was here Tuesday.
—Royal Mooers was a visitor to the city of Jacksonville last week.
—A girl baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Beauchamp last week.

—Miss Houston, of Arenzville, visited Mrs. Frank Hauser last week.
—Jno. Turner and daughter, Miss Hattie visited in Naples last Sunday.
—Ely Kearns and daughters, of Naples, spent the day here last Friday.

—Douglass Little, of Bluffs, interviewed the editors of this office Saturday.
—Misses Katie and Nina Pond, of Concord, visited friends in town Monday.
—That price of good fellows, L. D. Hirschman, was in town one day last week.

—Harve Ham, of Chambersburg, is learning telegraphy under J. M. Anderson.
—Miss Lydia Beauchamp is spending a few days at Dawson, visiting friends.
—Jno. Burrus and Miss Maymie Knowland drove over to Naples Sunday afternoon.

—Indications are, say the old prophets, that we are to have a storm of some kind soon.
—Wm. Street, wife and daughter, of Bluff Spring, spent Sunday in this place with friends.
—Miss Katie Carver returned Monday night from a visit in the northern part of the state.

—The protracted meeting at the M. E. church still continues. Much interest is manifested.
—Lou Harmel, Tom Hyatt and several others are attending court at Jacksonville this week.
—William Apperson, our street commissioner, is repairing and putting in new walks around town.

—Mrs. John Rowland and daughter, Pet, of Charlottesville, Ind., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jake Rentfrow, of this place.
—We understand we are to have a new livery stable in the near future. Let'er come, competition is the life of trade.

—Urian Bell, now teaching school in Brown county, was admitted to the bar to practice law at Jacksonville last week.
—We have a very interesting communication from Fred W. Reyland, of Marble, Colo., which appears in another column.

—A rickie-in-the-slot soda fountain has been invented. The customer can help himself, but can't get more than five cents worth.
—The editor is taking his annual hunt on the Illinois bottoms this week.—Blainville Gazette. How many ducks did you kill George?

—Correspondents will please have their communication in by Tuesday noon, as we shall in the future go to press early Wednesday morning. Please do not forget this.
Stout's Snag Proof Rubber Boot at A. E. RITSCHER.

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For gents' underwear go to the cash store of M. E. Geiss.

Some writer says: "Girl" if you want to be hugged and kissed, invite the young men to your home for that purpose. No boy that is allowed to squeeze you in the hall room will refuse to do so in your parlors with the doors shut and the curtains all down.

New rains and currents at the cheap cash store of M. E. Geiss.

We are reliably informed that a beautiful young society lady of Clay-ton will be married to a prominent young gentleman of that place Wednesday, Nov. 28. Both are well known to the editors of this paper, and that their cup of happiness may ever be full is our wish.

D. Watts is the place to buy your watches, clocks, jewelry and specialties.

Charles Wheat, on a bet, pulled a cutter from the Locks to the ferry landing at this place, Tuesday, a distance of seven miles, in 504 minutes. He made a bet with "Batch" Collins, of the same place, that he could cover the distance in one hour. Wheat left the Locks at 7:07 and landed here at 8:07.

Four pounds best rio roast coffee for \$1. at the cash store of M. E. Geiss.

Meredosias has a chronic kicker. We heard of this kicker trying to make capital out of an article that appeared in THIS NEWS last week. If he don't look a "leddie out" he will kick himself out of existence one of these days. This kicker is always one among the first to read THIS NEWS, and he is too stingy to take and pay for it.

Barlett's blacking and polish for sale by A. E. RITSCHER. The best in the world.

It would be an extremely difficult task to find a neighborhood in the United States that does not contain clients for whom Messrs. C. A. Snow & Co., the successful Patent Solicitors, app. U. S. Patent Office, Washington, D. C. have obtained patents. They know their business and conscientiously attend to it. See their advertisement in this paper.

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Best Vermont Gray Overcoat.....\$1 00, former price \$2 75
Good Fancy Satinet Overcoat.....3 50, former price 5 00
Good storm ulster.....5 00, former price 6 75
Good heavy cassimere lined Overcoat.....6 00, former price 8 00
Good brown and black diagonal Overcoat.....7 50, former price 10 00
Cassimers overcoats in all shades.....10 00 former price 15 00
Chinchilla overcoats, all shades.....10 00 former price 15 00
50 styles window shades.....35c to \$1 00
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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

Dispatches say that petroleum has been discovered at Niota, Hancock county, Ill.

The Carrollton canning factory has shut down for the season, after putting up 20,000 cans of tomatoes.

The Mosher brothers, of Galesburg, won the \$10,000 prize at Louisville with their celebrated horse, Senator Conkling.

The proposition to build a \$40,000 court house in Green county was voted on at the recent election and carried by 77 majority.

Gov. Fifer refused to pardon Howard Garrison, who it will be remembered was sent to the penitentiary from Pearl, Pike county, for murder some time ago.

Barry's flouring mill is compelled to haul water to keep in motion. It does not rain sufficiently to furnish water without this trouble they are going to close.

"Uncle" Johnnie Friday, of Brown county, who is almost 80 years old has the whooping cough, he whoops just like a child. He says he had it when he was about 14 years of age.

Michael Teevey living about six miles north of Mt. Sterling, died at his residence last Tuesday at eleven o'clock from pneumonia. He was about thirty two years of age.

The Nauvoo Independent seems to think that the proposed new railroad has jumped the track, and they are not near so certain that they will have a railroad through the old Mormon city as they were some time ago.

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The girls of a neighboring city have formed a sort of organization and have pledged themselves that not one of them will ever marry a man who is not intelligent, honest, industrious, good natured, cleanly in person and apparel, healthy, sober, a church member, and a total abstainer from liquor, tobacco and profanity. We are afraid that these maidens are certain to live and the old maids. Such men as they are looking for are to be found in—well, in a climate far different from the sucker state.

A Bear Man.

One of the strangest of monstrosities was on the Wabash as we went bound last night. It was nothing less than a creature who was half bear and half man. To the Courier reporter he was a most repulsive looking object, and one which the scribe would not care to look upon very often. The creature was rather short of stature, with short legs and arms, and hands that were a combination between a bear's paw and a human hand. But the most remarkable part of the man's anatomy was his face which was more like that of a bear than a human being with an immortal soul. The mouth and chin were so extended that they resembled very closely the snout of a real live bruin. The nose was flat, but under it flourished a mustache of pretty near the regulation proportions. The ears were set pretty well forward and the forehead was low. This creature can talk and laugh like human beings, but seemed to be of the lowest type of intelligence. He appeared to be under the care of an Englishman, who, it is said, goes about exhibiting this monstrosity in various portions of the country and charges an admission of ten cents. He is anything but a beauty.—Illinois Courier.

The "Kurfürstlichprivilegierten Herzlich-Bergischen Provinzial-Zeitung" is the name of a German newspaper.

Hog cholera is carrying off swine by the wholesale in portions of Sangamon county and the disease has spread even into Morgan. It is said that the loss caused by this terrible disease will now foot up in the neighborhood of \$3,000.

An exchange ruminates thusly: "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth, and then sat all things up in housekeeping thereon. Then he created man and woman, but whence did that loaf or come? You have all seen him; he is always present at the postoffice, the store, the depot or in some saloon. There he sits looking wise and making plain all deep problems that have vexed the mightiest minds. Nothing is too deep for his intellect to unravel, and he samples all the sugar at the stores, borrows and reads all the papers wherever he stops and in all ways makes himself conspicuous—except by his absence. While he is thus engaged his family is left to care for itself and do the best it can; and yet we suppose after the loofer reads this he will continue to loaf."

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our regular correspondence.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28, 1890.

Secretary Windom's scheme for increasing the amount of money in circulation has leaked out, as such things usually do, although his annual report will not be made public until the day after the President's message is submitted to Congress, and it may not be all that is in his report, as I am informed that Mr. Harrison has declined to endorse it in his message, but the Secretary will probably insist upon including it in his report. Mr. Windom's idea is to have the Government issue 10, or 20 per cent bonds to be convertible into cash upon the demand of the holder. He believes that such a scheme would go a long way towards preventing dangerous stringencies in the money market, such as the one from which the country is just recovering. Nearly all of the cabinet endorse the idea, and the only reason that Mr. Harrison objects to incorporating it in his message is said to be that there is not time to consider such a radical change in our financial methods at the short session.

The scheme is not original with Mr. Windom. It was originated away back in '70's by one of the brightest young members of the then Greenback party—Mr. John Brisson Walker, who was at that time editing a daily paper in Washington, and who is now editor of the Cosmopolitan magazine. It was because Senator Sherman, then Secretary of the Treasury, refused to adopt this or a similar scheme and persisted in his policy of contracting the currency in order to bring about the resumption of specie payments that Mr. Walker demanded through the columns of his paper the impeachment of Secretary Sherman—a demand which at the time attracted national attention.

Leading republicans, such as Speaker Reed and Representative McKinley, say that there will be no financial legislation at this session of Congress; but there is a strong element in the republican party that will demand in loud tones that a free coinage bill be passed or that something be done to largely increase the volume of currency in circulation. It is an important and interesting question, and it is certain to be heard from this winter, both in and out of Congress.

The Speakership fight is quiet on the surface, but raging fiercely in the under current of politics. Mr. Mills announced that he would retire from the House at the close of the Fifty-second Congress was a very shrewd move, and it has undoubtedly improved his chances, and it looks now as if he might be the man, if a Southern man be chosen. But of course, he has to contend against the various combinations certain to be made against any man who obtains a temporary lead, and the fact that he openly proclaims himself a free trader will undoubtedly lose him some votes.

There is a conservative wing of the democratic party, at the head of which is Representative Flower, who has a "hard," and Presidential aspirations, which is decidedly opposed to any radical treatment of the tariff question. This element is working to have Mr. Flower placed at the head of the Ways and Means committee of the next House, and it is claimed that they will refuse to support any candidate for Speaker who does not pledge himself to put him there.

The republican programme has been announced for the session. It embraces the passages of an apportionment bill, the circuit court bill, a shipping bill, the regular appropriation bills and the Federal election bill. To carry out this programme two things will be absolutely necessary—a change in the rules of the Senate and the presence of a constant quorum of republicans in the House, as the democrats have announced their intention to oppose every one of these measures except the regular appropriation bills. There is said to be in existence a written agreement signed by 43 republican senators to change the rules and pass the election bill before the Christmas holidays.

There is one notable thing in mingling with the returning Congressmen of both parties—they all speak in most

respectful terms of the claims of the Farmers Alliance, and that it is a good deal more than they did when here last. Voters always command the respect of politicians.

Everybody predicts and expects that the short session of Congress which convenes next Monday will be, from one and another cause, one of the most exciting in our history, as well as one of the most important in its effect upon the political future of the three great political parties, for it is now conceded by all shrewd observers that the Farmers Alliance is one of the great political parties of the country; and that it will take a prominent part in the great national battle of 1892.

Mr. Harrison holds the first official reception of the season at the White House this evening in honor of the Brazilian naval officers now visiting this country.

Joined by a Living Link. DETROIT, Nov. 20.—Little Matilda Oresch had her scalp and left ear torn off Saturday by having her hair caught in a shaft. The scalp refused to knit and the doctors decided that live flesh must be engrafted. Matilda's sister, Emma, volunteered to give the flesh.

The two children were laid side by side on the operating table this noon and a piece of flesh 8 by 5 inches was laid back on Emma's left breast. The other girl was then placed close up to her sister and the severed end of the flesh stitched to one side of the place where the scalp had been torn away. The operation took thirty minutes, and when completed, the two girls were bound together, one side of the flesh cut from Emma being stitched to Matilda's face, the other side being kept on Emma's breast.

The doctors said it is the only operation of the kind ever performed, and expect that the flesh being kept alive on Emma's breast will grow on Matilda's head, and at the end of four days they can be separated.

From Naples. Our school was photographed one day last week.

Robt. Keener started for Florida on Thanksgiving day.

Frank Linkins and family spent Thanksgiving at Baylis.

Robt. Keener spent several days in Jacksonville last week.

Mr. Agge preached at the Christian church and at Maple Grove school house last Sunday week.

Quite a number of our young folks attended the dramatic entertainment in Bluffs and pronounced it good.

Charles Morgan, from Minnesota, with his wife and son, is visiting his mother and sister—Mrs. Belle Abrams.

Our postmistress has had the office rearranged, pickets cut down, writing shelf moved and show cases pushed to the front. It looks better.

The visitors here for Thanksgiving were Mrs. Aldred McKean, Mrs. Lawson and children, Mrs. Zach Green and daughter, and others whose names we fail to get.

There was a shooting match here on the 26th of November. We did not get the score, but there were a great many present and quite a number of turkeys were carried away.

Miss Tina Linkins came home from the W. C. T. U.

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BUFFALO BILL will get lots of valuable advertisement out of the Indian Territory whether the Nebraska militia under his command does any fighting or not.

PARNELL has put back Irish Home Rule at least ten years; and if he is allowed to continue at the head of the Irish members of Parliament it may never come.

SOMEBODY has said that the trust which has just taken charge of all the manufacturing of harvesting machines was organized to relieve the farmer. Yes, to relieve him of all his cash.

It has been a whole week since Representative Springer nominated Mr. Cleveland for the Presidency. Has the ambitious son of Illinois lost his voice, or did he only stop to give Mr. Mills a chance to chip in?

THE Farmers Alliance people are not doing much talking themselves, but they are the direct cause of an unusual amount of chinning among the leaders of the two great political parties, and it seems to have only just begun.

THE Canadians are getting uneasy over the reciprocity question. They don't want Uncle Sam to leave them out when he begins to "swap products with other nations, and Senator Sherman will not, it is said, allow them to be left out, if he can prevent it.

CAMPAIGN expenditures are always exaggerated and magnified. Nobody believes for an instant that as much was spent in the entire country during the recent congressional campaign, and yet we are asked to believe that Senator Stanford disbursed that much in California.

A BILL is under way in the Oklahoma legislature which makes it criminal for newspapers to even insinuate anything against a man's character whether it is a fact or not. It has passed the house and is likely to go through the senate and become a law.

DR. KOCH's consumption cure and the elixir of life prepared by the celebrated French physician, Brown-Sequard, seem to be on a similar footing, and the newspaper disputes about its efficacy are quite as bitter and rancorous, and will in time grow quite as tiresome to the public.

THE blushing leaves are almost gone and when one sees the nakedness of the trees, he does not wonder that the leaves turn red.

A MAN is not held accountable for what he says when he is hurrying to put on a shirt and his collar button rolls under the dresser.

THERE is an old Indian saying that "the early and complete fall of the leaves means a long winter and lots of snow." If this proves true, cutters will be at a premium for the next three months.

THE Cleveland boom has received a blow below the belt from an unexpected quarter—Senator Barbour, of Virginia, having announced his opposition to the nomination of the ex-President.

THE wealthy electric light companies might spend their surplus cash in a more philanthropic way than in employing lawyers to argue before the United States Supreme Court against the constitutionality of the electric execution of murderers provided for by the law of the State of New York. The court has decided that the law is constitutional.

RECENT events in Wall street have brought to light an old anecdote told of the late Wm. R. Travers, a broker, which contains a moral that needs no explanation. One day a friend from Georgia went into Mr. Travers' office and after exchanging courtesies said: "What would you advise me to buy?" Travers looked at him seriously for a moment and then with a smile answered: "I'd advise you to buy a railroad ticket to Georgia."

WHEN the smoke of the recent foray in Wall street had cleared away it was discovered that Jay Gould had secured control of nearly all of the big western railroads and of the Pacific mail steamship company. This man already controls too many things for the country's good, and everything he has was obtained by methods more or less questionable. It is already announced that he will immediately raise the freight tariff on all lines of railroad west of the Mississippi river. Of course he will, he isn't satisfied with getting the largest half of the money received by the farmers and cattle raisers of the west and north-west, for carrying their products to market; he wants it all.

A BOY and a dog bound together lie in the Charity Hospital at Blackwell Island, New York. One of the boy's legs lacks bone above the ankle. Into this part of the leg a part of the dog's fore-leg has been ingrafted. If the dog die another will be supplied. The dog is a spaniel weighing about twenty pounds. Bandages of plaster of paris fasten him to the boy. The dog's vocal chords are out. When union between the boy's bone and that of the dog has commenced the dog's leg will be severed from connection with the boy's by cutting skin arteries, and muscles, which now bind the dog to the boy. The skin will then be sewed over the dog's stump and all of the rest of the dog's leg will be out from the boy's leg except the ingrafted piece of bone. The surgeon conducting the experiment is Dr. A. M. Phelps, professor of orthopedic surgery in the University of New York.

The Stillwell Murder.

Several of the St. Louis papers and the Hannibal papers of yesterday contain long accounts of the arrests made in Peoria and St. Louis of persons accused of having participated in the tragedy at Hannibal on the evening of December 30, 1888, in which Amos J. Stillwell lost his life.

A glance over these articles fails to disclose anything particularly new in the status of the case, unless it be that Bertha Miller, one of the accused, has proved conclusively that she was in the Monticello jail on the night of the murder.

Kendrick, the alleged murderer, denies any knowledge of the crime and seems shocked that he should be charged with committing a murder and having two women in his confidence with ten dollar apiece.

Dr. Hearne, the murdered man's successor as husband of Mrs. Stillwell, denies having treated Kendrick professionally at any time and talks of suing one or two St. Louis papers for mixing his name in an uncomplimentary manner with the tragedy.

This in substance is where the case stands. Kendrick, or some other colored man, may have committed the murder. Up in this part of the country, however, the evidence will first have to be heard before much reliance is placed in the importance of the arrests made during the past few days.

At midnight the Herald communicated with the Hannibal Journal office and learned the following:

"We believe that the whole thing is a bunrums. In an interview N. H. Stillwell stated that he is of the opinion that Kendrick was arrested by Thiel's detective agency, of St. Louis, merely to gratify their desire to gain prominence in the detective business. Mr. Stillwell has convinced himself that Bertha Miller was in the Lewis county jail on the night of the murder and this fact breaks the chain of evidence upon which Kendrick was arrested. Marshal Reinmann returned from St. Louis and stated that Ester Dick, who was arrested for complicity in the murder, was released. Kendrick, he reports, is still under surveillance."—Quincy Herald.

WANTS A BIGHT OF WAY.

The J. S. E. Again Asks Permission to Build a Line into the City.

To-morrow night the city council will meet in regular session and one of the things it will have to consider will be the question of allowing the Jacksonville Southeastern railway the right to cross certain streets of the city. The railroad company some time ago purchased a strip of land along the east side of Fifteenth street from Madison street northward, with the expectation of entering the city by that route. Application was made to the council for permission to cross the intersecting streets, but permission was refused. Application has been made again and the matter is now before the council. The street and alley committee held a meeting Friday night and heard Claim Agent Gregory and Hon. I. L. Morrison, solicitor for the railroad company. Some of the members of the committee insisted that the railroad should enter the city by the way of East Grand Avenue, but Mr. Gregory said this would greatly inconvenience the company and moreover would cause them to make a great sacrifice in the disposal of their right-of-way along Fifteenth street. He also intimated that if the request of the company was not granted the idea of running a through train from St. Louis to Chicago would have to be abandoned, and that the proposed union depot to be erected by the Santa Fe, the Jacksonville Southeastern, the Ohio & Mississippi and the Illinois Central would not be built. The committee took no action on the subject.—Springfield Journal.

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Is very large and has been selected with great care—as to quality and style cannot be improved—and range in prices from

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The Meredosias News.

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MEREDOSIA AND VICINITY.

—Lard, 7c.
—Oats, 40c.
—Corn, 40c.
—Meal, 80c.
—Eggs, 16c.
—Wheat, 85c.
—Flour, \$1.25.
—Butter, 12c.
—Bran, 70c. cwt.
—Coarse Meal, 60c.
—Shipstuffs, 90c. cwt.
—Hogs, \$3.25.
—Potatoes, \$1. to \$1.20.
—Sweet Potatoes, \$1.00.
—Mixed Feed, 75c. cwt.
—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
—Jno. Lawson's child is very sick.
—Capt. Harper was here Saturday.
—George Knowland Sunday in Chapin.

Stout's Snag Proof Rubber Boots at A. E. RITSCHER.
—Mrs. Geo. Rousch is very sick with pneumonia.

New raisins and currents at the cheap cash store of M. E. Geiss.

—Charlie and Joe Hauser have gone to Campville.

For gents' underwear go to the cash store of M. E. Geiss.

—Miss Edith, Freeman visited in Bluffs Sunday.

—J. C. Lewis and family, of Bluffs, Sunday here.

—Henry Barfield, of Naples, was in town Saturday.

—Dr. Thompson, of Jacksonville, was in this place Friday.

—Bill Miller and Mr. Pancake, of Naples, were here Monday.

—Miss Nellie Turner was the guest of friends in Naples Sunday.

—James Frye and wife, of Naples, spent the day here Saturday.

—Royal Moores has moved his boat from the Lock to this place.

—Henry Hobrock, of Oxville, was a visitor to this place Monday.

—Prof. Decker entertained his brother and sisters at his home last week.

—Mrs. Sheet, of Naples, visited her sister Mrs. Black, of this place, Saturday.

D. Watts is the place to buy your watches, clocks, jewelry and spectacles.
—Mrs. S. A. Hedenberg, of Clayton, visited her son, W. T., of THE NEWS, since Saturday.

—Dr. Nevill was called to Naples to attend Mrs. Abrams Sunday, who is on the sick list.

—A protracted meeting has been in progress at McKinstry chapel for about three weeks.

—Minor Hale attended the concert given by the Nashville Students at Bluffs, Saturday night.

—Parties have been camping on the other side of the river the past week, hunting and fishing.

I can save you money if you want to buy a sewing machine. Call and see me.
A. E. RITSCHER.

—A party was given Miss Ida Butler at her home east of town, one night last week. A good time is reported.

—As we go to press the atmosphere feels favorable for a snow storm, in fact a few flakes have already fallen.

—The Franklin Times has enlarged to a seven column folio. It is a neat looking sheet and the good people of Franklin ought to stand by Bro. Reinback.

—Owing to the rush of work and our inability to procure a printer, our local columns are not very full this week. We promise to do better in the future, however.

—Meredosias has a merchant who says it does not pay to advertise.—News. Are you sure he is a merchant?—Brown County Republican. No; but he claims to be.

—Call and see samples of our line of holiday cards, fancy stationery, etc. You can always find samples of the finest line of stationery on the market at this office at the lowest prices. Ball programs, wedding cards and fancy calendars a specialty.

—The citizens of this place held their convention at Elmsman's Hall on Monday evening. A large attendance was had and the organization seems to be satisfactory. The following persons were nominated: Levi Hodges, Henry Wegheoff, Joe Schmitt, Geo. Vanderlip and B. R. Wilday.

—D. Watts spent Sunday in Naples.

—Henry Geiss spent Thanksgiving in Quincy.

—Eugene Wilson spent the day in the city Monday.

—A grand ball will be given at the hall Christmas eve.

—The weather for the past several weeks has been excellent.

—Thanksgiving service was celebrated in the M. E. Church in this place.

—The Scott County Herald is a new paper which makes its appearance this week.

—Alex Byran, of Versailles, passed through our city Tuesday en route for Jacksonville.

—Mrs. Milt Moore and daughter Callie, of Naples, were shopping in our place Monday.

—Those wanting job work done for holidays should leave their orders with THE NEWS at once.

—Jno. Musch has sold his farm east of town to W. J. and Herman Brockhouse for the sum of \$3,500.

—Misses Emma, James, Ora Black, Hattie and Mrs. Wm. Smithson were shopping in Jacksonville Saturday.

—Messrs C. A. Snow & Co., patent solicitors, opposite U. S. patent office, Washington, have no side issues to detract their attention, hence their success. If you wish to know anything about patents, trade marks, or copyrights, write to them.

—A young man from Camp Point went to Clayton to see his girl and tried to come home on the Wabash freight. The conductor refused to carry him, so he took the humpers home and was scared half to death on the trip. Why didn't you ride the whistle, Frank?

—Young man, if you owe a fellow man, don't promise to pay it, certain, at a given time, when you have not the slightest idea as to where the money is to come from. If you owe a debt and do not know just when you will have it, why go to the man you owe and tell him the truth and he will respect you. Don't keep your eyes skinned day after day to shun the man you owe, crossing to the opposite side of the street when you see him coming. He is a man the poor and free every obstacle with an honest, manly heart. The remarks will apply to the young man's father also. Some times the old man is not very swift about his obligations.

For Sale at Auction.

The undersigned will sell at his residence in Meredosias, Ill., at auction, on Saturday, December 13th, 1890, at 11 o'clock a. m., four head of young cattle. Don't forget the date.
A. J. LESLIE.

The Clayton Sensation.

Chat Hopper who shot at Joe Roy, because it was rumored that he (Roy) had been intimate with Mrs. Hopper, is still at large. He is believed to be in concealment in the woods near Clayton, and those who know him fear that he will not be taken alive. This belief is so strong at Clayton that everybody is afraid to join in the search for him, and Saturday night Officer Purcell received a telegram from Roy's brother, requesting him to make a search through the woods for Hopper. Officer Purcell spent all of Sunday and Sunday night in the country between Kellerville, Bugnolia, and Sileam, but heard or saw nothing of the fugitive from justice.

The shooting took place last Wednesday. Roy had heard it rumored that Hopper accused him of being an intimate with his wife. Roy went to Hopper and asked him if he had circulated the rumor. Hopper demanded the name of the person who told him that he (Hopper) had said that he (Roy) was intimate with his wife. Roy refused to give the name of his informant, whereupon Hopper drew a 22-calibre revolver and pointed it at him and said: "I will give you two minutes to tell it." Roy pushed him back and Hopper fired. The ball struck a silk handkerchief in Roy's pocket and lodged there without doing him any injury.

Brought Suit.

ROODHOUSE, Ill., Dec. 2.—George W. Christian, who was severely burned some time ago, by coming in contact with a charged telephone wire, has brought suit in the circuit court against the Roodhouse Electric Light and Power company for \$2,000 damages. The Electric Light company permitted one of the wires to sag, and as soon as the insulation wore off, the telephone wire on which it rested was charged, and this became dangerous. Mr. Christian has lost the use of his right arm in consequence of the burn.

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Good brown and black diagonal Overcoat.....	7 50, former price 10 00
Cassimers overcoats in all shades.....	10 00 former price 15 00
Chinchilla overcoats, all shades.....	10 00 former price 15 00
50 styles window shades.....	35c to \$1 00
Curtain poles and fixtures.....	2 00
Shoulder shawls.....	1 00, 15c, 25c
Beaver shawls from.....	1 50 to 8 00
Dress goods.....	5c, 10c, 15c, worth double
Flannel dress goods.....	20c, 25c, 35c, worth double
Broadcloth, double width.....	6c
Ladies jackets.....	2 50 worth 4 00
Ladies' wraps.....	4 50 worth 10 00
Ladies' shoes.....	6 50 worth 15 00
Men's shoes.....	1 25 worth 2 00
100 styles handkerchiefs.....	2 00 worth 3 00
100 styles laces.....	worth from 1c to 40c per yard

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Opening of the Second Session of the Fifty-First Congress.

President Harrison Transmits His Second Annual Message to Congress, which is Read in Both Houses.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Promptly at noon both houses of Congress were called to order, in the presence of large and interested crowds of spectators. Numerous floral emblems decorated the desks of favored Senators and Representatives, and there was a merry flow of laughter over the results of the late elections.

The preliminary business having been transacted, which consisted in administering the oath to a few new Senators and members, the usual committees were appointed to wait upon the President and inform him that Congress was in session and ready to receive any communication he might be pleased to make.

At 1:30 p. m. Private Secretary Hallford appeared at the bar of the House and presented the President's annual message which was at once read. A copy was also presented in the Senate.

The message is as follows:

TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:—The reports of several executive departments, which will be laid before Congress in the usual course, will exhibit in detail the operations of the Government for the last fiscal year. Only the more important incidents and events of chief importance may be the foundation of the recommendations I shall submit, will be referred to in this annual message.

The vast and increasing business of the Government has been met by the faithful and efficient departments of the year with faithfulness, energy and success. The revenue, amounting to \$100,000,000, has been collected and disbursed without revealing, so far as I am aware, a single case of mismanagement or embezzlement. An earnest effort has been made to keep up the responsibility and public duty in all officers and employees of every grade, and the work done by them has almost wholly escaped any unfavorable criticism. I speak of these matters with freedom, because the credit of this good work is not mine, but is shared by the heads of the several departments with the great body of faithful officers and employees who serve under them. The closest scrutiny of Congress is invited as to the methods of the Administration, and to every item of expenditure.

FOREIGN RELATIONS.

The friendly relations of our country with the nations of Europe and the Eastern Hemisphere have been undisturbed, while the ties of good will and common interest that bind us to the states of the Western Hemisphere have been notably strengthened by the conference held in this capital to consider measures for the general welfare.

THE INTERNATIONAL MARINE CONFERENCE.

The International Marine Conference, which met at Washington last winter reached a very gratifying result. The regulations suggested and have been adopted, and the attention of all the governments represented, and their agreement to the measures expected. The legislation of Congress at the next session, in conformity with the propositions of the conference, and the promulgation thereof provided for will be issued when the other powers have given notice of their assent.

THE HAITIAN REPUBLIC.

Toward the end of the last year the only independent monarchical government on the Western continent, Haiti, which had existed and was succeeded by a republic. Diplomatic relations were at once established with the new government, but it was not completely recognized until an opportunity had been afforded to the United States to express its approval and support. When the course of events had yielded assurance that no time was to be lost in extending the new government a full and cordial welcome into the family of American republics.

THE KILLING OF BARRANDA.

The killing of General Barranda on board the steamer *San Juan*, while anchored in the port of San Jose de Guatemala, drew much attention. Inquiry, having failed in a revolutionary attempt to invade Guatemala from Mexican territory, General Barranda took passage at Acapulco for Panama. The consent of the representatives of the United States was given to effect his seizure, first at Champerio, where the steamer touched, and afterwards at San Jose. The captain of the steamer refused to give up his passenger without a written order from the United States Minister, and the latter furnished the desired letter, stipulating as the conditions of his action that General Barranda's life should be spared and that he should be tried only for offenses growing out of his revolutionary movements. This letter was produced to the captain of the *Acapulco* by the General, who was then released and was taken to the passenger on the steamer. General Barranda, released and was taken to the passenger on the steamer. General Barranda, released and was taken to the passenger on the steamer.

THE NICARAGUA CANAL PROJECT.

The Nicaragua canal project, under the control of our citizens, is making the most encouraging progress, all the preliminary conditions and initial operations having been accomplished within the prescribed time.

THE CHINESE CLAIMS.

During the year negotiations have been renewed for the settlement of the claims of American citizens against the Government of China, particularly growing out of the late war with Peru. The reports from our Minister at Santiago warrant the expectation of an early and satisfactory adjustment.

CHINA.

Our relations with China, which have for several years occupied so important a place in our diplomatic history, have called for careful consideration and have been the subject of much correspondence. The communications of the Chinese Minister have brought into view the whole subject of our conventional relations with that country; and at the same time this Government, through its legation at Peking, has sought to arrange various matters and complaints touching the interests and protections of our citizens in China. In pursuance of the concurrent resolution of October 1, 1900, I have proposed to the Government of Mexico, and Great Britain, to consider a convention for the regulation of the passing of Chinese laborers across our southern and northern frontiers.

RELATIONS WITH GREAT BRITAIN.

The new treaty of extradition with Great Britain, after ratification, was proclaimed on the 28th of last March. Its beneficial work is already apparent. The difference between the two governments touching the tariff and question of the Chinese has not yet adjusted, as will be seen by the correspondence which will soon be laid before Congress. The offer to submit the question to arbitration as proposed by Her Majesty's

Government, has not been accepted, for the reasons of the form of submission proposed is not thought to be calculated to assure of the Chinese Government either party. It is sincerely hoped that before the opening of another session some arrangement will be effected which will assure to the United States a property right, derived from the Chinese Government, in the event of any outbreak of the outbreak of the existing troubles.

MEXICAN AFFAIRS.

The friendship between our country and Mexico, born of close neighborhood and strengthened by many considerations of interest, has never been more conspicuous than now, nor more honestly and reciprocally maintained. The intercourse of the two countries, already great, is making constant growth.

RELATIONS WITH SPAIN.

The cordial character of our relations with Spain warrants the hope that by the continuance of methods of friendly negotiation, much may be accomplished in the direction of an adjustment of pending questions and of the increase of our trade. The extent and development of our trade with the island of Cuba have the commercial relations of the United States and Spain with a peculiar importance. It is not doubted that a special arrangement in regard to commerce, based upon the reciprocity provision of the recent tariff act, will be made to keep up the good relations for both governments. This subject is now receiving attention.

THE COAST GUARD SERVICE.

The legislation of the last few years has given the Coast Guard a new and important service in fostering our commercial relations abroad, and in the protection of our coast. As the scope of operations expanded, increased promptness and efficiency in the essential standard of efficiency. The necessity of some adequate measure of supervision and inspection has been so often pointed out that I need only commend the subject to your attention.

FINANCIAL.

The revenues of the Government from all sources for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1900, were \$100,000,000, and the total cost, including interest on the public debt, was \$100,000,000. The postal receipts have not heretofore been included in the statement of the revenues, but in this annual message, for the first time, they are included. The postal receipts for the year, including the amount applied to the sinking fund, were \$10,000,000. The revenue from the sale of public lands, including the amount applied to the sinking fund, was \$10,000,000. The revenue from the sale of public lands, including the amount applied to the sinking fund, was \$10,000,000.

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The report of the Postmaster-General shows the most gratifying progress in the important work of the department. The revenue has been greatly increased, and the work of the department has been very successful. The land office has been very active, and the work of the department has been very successful.

THE ANTI-LOTTARY LAW.

The passage of the act to amend certain sections of the Revised Statutes relating to lotteries, approved September 10, 1900, has been very successful. The land office has been very active, and the work of the department has been very successful. The land office has been very active, and the work of the department has been very successful.

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A PRESENT TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

It is with pleasure that we announce to our many patrons that we have made arrangements with the wide-awake, illustrated farm magazine, the AMERICAN FARMER, published at Fort Wayne, Ind., and read by nearly 200,000 farmers by which that great publication will be mailed direct, FREE, to the address of any of our subscribers who will come in and pay up all arrears on subscription and one year in advance from date, and to any new subscriber who will pay one year in advance. This is a grand opportunity to obtain a first-class farm journal free. The AMERICAN FARMER is a large 16-page journal, of national circulation, which ranks among the leading agricultural papers. It treats the question of economy in agricultural and the rights and privileges of that vast body of citizens—American Farmers—whose industry is the basis of all material and national prosperity. Its highest purpose is the elevation and ennobling of agriculture through the higher and broader education of men and women engaged in its pursuits. The regular subscription price of the AMERICAN FARMER is \$1.00 per year. IT COSTS YOU NOTHING. From any one number ideas can be obtained that will be worth three times the subscription price to you or members of your household, yet you get it FREE. Call and see sample copy.

A TENNIS shoe, a bracelet, a restaurant, a carpet, a tooth powder, and a polish for silver have been named after Stanley's bride.

If the Indians molest the whites, there will be some real ghost dances instead of the make believe ones that have so excited the red men.

It is said that Charlie Ross has at last been found in a Boston prison. If the prisoner is really the long-lost boy, he isn't the kind of a boy the public has been interested in finding.

The man who holds the lucky number 18008 which drew the Sioux City corn palace, has not shown up. The building will be sold and removed and the proceeds put in the bank to await the coming of the owner.

The city editor of the Moberly Democrat is writing up personal sketches of the old bachelors and old maids of that town. He will be with his friends a few days longer as he has not yet begun publishing the little biographies.

The recent census will probably dispute the assertion that the colored race is growing in numbers much faster than the whites. Baltimore statistics show that the white birth rate is 18 per cent and the death rate is 17 per cent. The colored rate is 14 per cent and the death rate 30 per cent.

Thus, from Robert G. Ingersoll, popularly accredited as the arch-infidel of America, is a little at variance with what would have been expected: "Is death the end? Over the grave bends Love sobbing, and by her side stands Hope and whispers, 'We shall meet again. Before all life is death, and after all death is life. The falling leaf, touched by the hectic flush that testifies of Autumn's death, is, in the sense of a phoenix of spring.'"

W. C. COLLINS, the republican declared elected to the legislature in the Rock Island district, fearing his seat would be contested, has sent his resignation to Governor Pifer, who, it is presumed, will call an election to fill the vacancy before the legislature convenes. The republicans believe they can elect a man to succeed Collins and the democrats have to elect their candidate. The prohibitionists and farmer's alliance have not been heard from on the subject.

Why should not the printing of the school books be let to the lowest bidder? School books cost ten times as much as a dime novel of the same size. They should be cheaper than any other book. Destroy the combine by having the printing done by the lowest bidder and the people will get the benefit.—Ex.

At Crawfordsville, Indiana, the jury came to the conclusion that Parson W. F. Pettit, ought not to have poisoned and killed his wife, even if he did want to marry Mrs. Whitehead, a wealthy member of his church. They, therefore, sentenced him to imprisonment for life in the penitentiary. The parson was out of luck.

THERE is a boodle investigation going on in Kansas City, in which several of the aldermen of that place act prominent parts. If the city keeps up its strides it will soon equal Chicago, in this way, if no other. This to follow in the wake of its defaulting treasurer of only a few months ago, shows a decayed state of affairs for Kansas City.

The Supreme Court of the United States has practically decided in the Juggo case, that execution by electricity is a legal and proper method of inflicting the death penalty. With the experience in the Kemmler case fresh in their minds the officials should now see to it that the conditions for electrocution are perfect, and thus deprive the critics of this method of inflicting the death penalty of their grounds of complaint.

SINCE the postal officials have shut down on lotteries the people are beginning to find that it not only pinches that octopus, the Louisiana lottery, but also the church affairs, the turkey raffles, and gift schemes of all descriptions. The Assistant Postmaster has issued this definition of the term lottery: "The term 'lottery' as used in this act, embraces all kinds of schemes, general or local, for the distribution of prizes by lottery or chance, such as gift exhibitions, enterprises, concerts, raffles, or the drawing of prizes in money or property at fairs. Hence letters, postal cards and circulars concerning them, and newspapers containing advertisements of them are unmailable." Thus the iniquitous lottery schemes and especially the large ones held in check from their deadly draining process.

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TO FIT A BOY FROM FOUR YEARS OLD TO THE LARGEST MAN AND RANGING IN PRICE

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Our Ladies and Childrens' Cloth and Plush Jackets and cloaks are very handsome and prices very low. Come see them and be satisfied.

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Department is full. We can show you a fine line of Underwear, Fancy Flannel Shirts, Neck Ties and in fact everything kept in that department is handsome.

IN OUR DRY GOODS AND NOTION

Department you will find all the latest patterns and styles in Dress Goods, Hosiery, Plushes, Ribbons, Dress Trimming, Buttons and many varieties belonging to that department.

WE HAVE A NICE LINE OF CARPETS WHICH WE SELL CHEAP.

Our line of HATS and CAPS, BUCK GLOVES are of the best makes.

OUR STOCK OF GROCERIES, BOOTS & SHOES

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In fact all the departments are very full. We invite the public to an inspection of these goods and prices and will assure you that you will be kindly treated by our Salesmen, Messrs. John Kratz, Eutkwyer and Loeman, whether you buy goods or not. Come and see us. Thanking you for the very large patronage you have given me, I am truly yours,

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MEREDOSIA AND VICINITY.

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—Oats, 40c.
—Corn, 40c.
—Meal, 80c.
—Eggs 16c.
—Wheat 85c.
—Flour, \$1.25.
—Butter, 12c.
—Bran, 70c. cwt.
—Coarse Meal, 60c.
—Shipstuffs, 90c. cwt.
—Hogs, \$3.25.
—Potatoes, \$1. to \$1.20.
—Sweet Potatoes, \$1.00.
—Mixed Feed, 75c. cwt.
—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
—Prof. Henderson was in town Saturday.

—Mrs. Dr. Nevill visited at Naples last week.

—Don't fail to read the ad. of C. R. Ray on the first page of this paper.

—J. M. Hambaugh and wife, of Spring Station, were in this place last Monday.

—Meredosia is undoubtedly the cheapest town in this section of the country to trade.

—Harry Lake, of Joplin, Mo., will accept our thanks for late daily papers sent us from that place.

—Persons wanting Christmas cards, fancy calendars, etc., will do well to call at THE NEWS OFFICE.

—Miss Mary Bouvinger returned home from Jacksonville last week, after an absence of two or three months.

—Bud Hale and Fred Hammon have been invited to spend a couple of weeks in Jacksonville. They are serving on the grand jury.

—A number of our merchants have their holiday goods arranged, and a brighter and prettier exhibit of Christmas goods has never before been seen in Meredosia.

Bartlett's blacking and polish for sale by A. E. Ritscher. The best in the world.

—Will Pond has tendered his resignation at the store of F. Einstman and can now be found at C. R. Ray's drug store. Will wants all of his friends to call and see him.

Stout's Snag Proof Rubber Boot at A. E. RITSCHER.

—Joseph Schmitt received the sad intelligence on the second of Dec. that his mother had departed from this life. She was about 71 years of age. She died in Germany on Nov. 17.

New raisins and currents at the cheap cash store of M. E. GEISS.

—Jacob H. Ommen, of Chapin, was in Meredosia last Saturday. While here he called at this office and left \$1.25 for THE NEWS and one of the best farm magazines in the country—the American Farmer—for one year.

D. Watts is the place to buy your watches, clocks, jewelry and specialties.

—Thos. Burdick, of Meredosia is an addition to the youth force. Tommie is a good boy, who has to hustle for himself, but as the adage goes, "there is room at the top," and we are sure that effort will reach the top.—Blandinsville Gazette.

For gents' underwear go to the cash store of M. E. GEISS.

—The City election in this place last Saturday, for trustees, passed off very quietly, there being only one ticket in the field—the license ticket. Out of a total of 89 votes Levi Hodges received 88. H. Wegheft 82. Jos. Schmitt 85. Jno. Vanderlip 86. B. R. Whiday 80. Scattering: H. Hodges 3. Wm. Miller 2. H. Schaefer 1. There did not seem to be much interest manifested.

I can save you money if you want to buy a sewing machine. Call and see me. A. E. RITSCHER.

—Dr. J. B. Frazer has moved into our town and located in the building east of the barber shop. The doctor is a graduate of the Eclectic Medical College of Cincinnati and carries high recommendations in regard to his ability as a physician and surgeon and also his moral character. The recommendations are signed by the best business men of Palmer and several cities in this state. That he is a competent physician no one will dispute. See his card to another column.

—Those wanting job work done for holidays should leave their orders with THE NEWS at once.

—Frank (Barnum) Wilson Sundayed at home.

—Fritz Pike is visiting his father this week.

—Dr. Sib. Wilson, of Versailles, was in Meredosia Tuesday afternoon.

Aaron Stinson, of Versailles, was a visitor at this office last Tuesday.

—The steamer D. H. Pike came up last Saturday and will remain here for the winter.

—John Edmundson, of Morgan City visited friends and relatives in this city last Friday.

—John Morgan and Bill Williams, two of Naples' popular young men, were here Monday.

—Henry D. Ritter and John Reisch, of Versailles, attended Masonic lodge here Tuesday night.

—H. S. Hysinger, of St. Louis, and of the firm of Hysinger & Graham, was in this place this week.

—Lou Harmel and George Turnham, who have been serving on the grand jury for several weeks, have returned home.

—Mrs. Charles Hauser, who has been visiting in Naples for several days, returned home Tuesday morning, accompanied by her mother.

—John Reisch, of Versailles, called at our sanctum Wednesday, and was shown through one of the best equipped printing offices in the state.

—Milo Ripley and Geo. Geiss have formed a co-partnership in the saloon business and will begin operations today (Thursday) in the building formerly occupied by Mr. Geiss.

—M. E. Geiss has something to say to the readers of THE NEWS this week. See the large advertisement on the eighth page of this issue. Give him a call when wanting anything in this line.

—The new board of trustees met last Monday evening and selected the following officers for the ensuing year: Joseph Schmitt, Pres.; H. C. Wegheft, clerk; Wm. Apperson, marshal; Farmers' & Traders' Bank, treasurer.

—The Chapin Boomerang of last week contained the following: "Last Wednesday we noticed in the express office a very large bald eagle to be shipped to G. W. Graham at Meredosia. The bird was prepared by Jos. R. Lampion, our local taxidermist, and is an excellent job. The bird is mounted on a handsome pedestal and looks as natural as life."

—Ice in the canal is over three inches thick and the ice harvesters have already staked off their respective claims. The surface is as slick as glass, not a rough place on it. Sunday the canal above the lower lock was dotted with skaters. The sport was ideal on account of the excellent condition of the ice.—Kokuk Gate City.

—People who have been a bright by burning chimneys should paste up the following close to a family clock: For a ton of coal buy 15 to 20 cents worth of salt, sprinkle it thoroughly, being certain to reach as much of the coal as possible with the brine. The salt acts as soot destroyer and leaves stove-covers, pipes and chimneys clear as a whistle.—Ex.

—The Protracted meeting that has been held at the M. E. church for the past few weeks was closed last Sunday night. The result of the meeting was not a great number added to the church, but a solid foundation laid upon which to build christian character. The church was greatly revived and a deep religious feeling pervaded the congregation.

Public Sale.
The undersigned will sell at public sale at his residence, five miles east of Meredosia, on the Arenzville and Meredosia road, on Monday, Dec. 22d, the following property to-wit: One span horses, three and four years old in spring; 6 milch cows; 6 yearling steers; 8 shoats; 1 brood sow; 1 cider press; 1 wood saw; 2 two horse wagon; 2 set double diamond plows; 1 sled; 1 sleigh; 1 mow; 1 hay rake; household and kitchen furniture, and many other things too numerous to mention.

Terms:—Sums under \$5. cash; over \$5. a credit of nine months will be given, purchaser giving note with approved security. JONNY MUSCH.

For Sale at Auction.

The undersigned will sell at his residence in Meredosia, Ill., at auction, on Saturday, December 13th, 1890, at 11 o'clock a. m., four head of young cattle. Don't forget the date.

A. J. LESLIE.

While compiling two cars loaded with coal, last Monday in Macomb, a brake-man was struck on the head by a large piece of coal which was jarred off the car. He received severe injuries and was placed in the calabozo and taken to Galesburg.

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Heavy checked Gingham.....	6/Ladies facitators.....	40
Canton Flannels as low as.....	24/Mutters in endless variety.....	20c to 3 00
All wool Red Flannel.....	16/Men's and Boys' Boots.....	1 00
Good wool sar per skein.....	315 pounds Granulated Sugar.....	1 00
36 inch all wool suitings.....	29/20 pounds Light Brown Sugar.....	1 00
Red Comforts as low as.....	864 pounds Best Roast Coffee.....	1 00
Men's all wool underwear, per suit.....	594 pounds Best Imperial Tea.....	1 00
Men's Arties.....	09/20 pounds rice.....	1 00
Ladies' Arties.....	85/25 pounds extra fine hominy.....	1 00
Shirts that will fit any man.....	25/Best sifted grain pepper per pound.....	20

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Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

A binder twine factory wants to locate in Quincy and asks for 10 acres of land.

Macomb is attempting to build a temperance temple, to cost several thousand dollars.

Abingdon has just paid \$750 to a citizen who broke his leg owing to a defective side-walk.

Rushville decided last week by a big majority not to extend her borders a half mile each direction.

A Sampson, of Sedalia, Missouri, asks membership in the state horticultural society on the ground that he cries peanuts.

Geo. Sloan took into Monmouth a corn stalk 13 feet long. When standing the first ear was 7 feet four inches from the ground.

The W. C. T. U., of Carthage, have leased the opera house in that burg, and will see what's what in the line of entertainments that shall use it.

Jack Barnes, a blind man in Sedalia, Missouri, left his wife because he believed she made faces at him in the presence of their two little daughters.

A clothes line pulled a Stanton man out of his wagon and in the fall he struck his wife in the mouth and knocked out three teeth besides breaking her upper jaw.

The Jersey county fair management came out \$350 above all expenses, although the weather was wet and not so many "soles" were on the grounds as in former years.

Phillip Smith, a Fulton county farmer, shot and killed his wife, week ago last Sunday morning, and then laid down beside her dead body and fired the contents of his gun into his mouth, killing himself instantly. Jealousy is said to be the cause. Smith was about 60 years of age, his wife about 52 years.

A bashful Hannibal pair, of young and juicy years, living within two blocks of each other, have been carrying on a courtship for months by correspondence so it is said. They smile and half bow as they pass, but are yet too timid to speak to each other and almost become hysterical when an introduction is proposed.

The young ladies of Monmouth are noted for their quick wit and sagacity. The Leader took up their thread the other evening, and received unmistakable proof of this assertion. A young man was bidding his best girl good night, in the dark recesses of the front porch, and, fired with enthusiasm of youth, snatched his first kiss from his beloved's rosy lips. With the courage of a warrior the maiden instantly cried: "Here! Put that back where you got it!"

The Splinters of Jefferson City have entered into a solemnly drawn compact to reintroduce the old style of putting warming pans into their beds in their cold rooms before retiring. Doctors sustain them in asserting that it is really necessary that a cold bed should be warmed in some manner before being occupied, and the warming pan appears to the Jefferson City old maids as the only proper means of doing it.

Sometimes the law is strangely forgetful. For instance, John Blyer, fifty-two years of age, has been a prisoner in the Vaneburg, Ky., county jail for twenty-two years on a charge of murder. By some strange chance the law has forgotten his existence, and all these years he has been patiently waiting for a trial that has never come. In the meantime the witnesses against him are all dead, and his indignity has so completely sunk out of recollection that he is referred to simply as "the dead man in cell 2."

August Deke, of Concordia, Missouri, wood and won the affections of Miss Meyer, of the same place. Deke was considered a good catch by the mothers of matrimony, and he was always in demand at balls, corn-husking and taffy-pulls. He began to widen his heart and love all the girls, and soon Miss Meyer was discarded. For this offense she appealed to the circuit court and asked \$10,000 damages. Their love affair must have been common property, for the whole of Concordia was in the witness stand and testified in the matter. Judge Richard Field has continued the case until next term of circuit court.

Women as Lay Delegates.

The Methodist church over the country is now engaged in voting on the question of admitting women as lay delegates to the general conference. The vote is far as progressed in this state shows an overwhelming majority in favor of the proposition. There are, however, some very eminent clergy of that denomination who are strenuously opposed to the proposition. Among these is the Rev. Dr. McIntyre, of Chicago. He not only discounts the measure, but condemns it right, left and center; smashes it with scriptural premises; shatters it with the cold logic of the humanities. In his own words the rendering of women eligible to conference would be the most egregious ecclesiastical blunder of methodism. It would pave the way to its utter demoralization, it would hold it up to the ridicule of the world, it would prove the foster mother of scandal, the parent to the absolute rupture of the church. He not only condemns the proposed measure itself, but also stigmatizes the motives at the bottom of it. The agitation, he alleges is built upon and kept by a few ambitious women who, seeking greater power for themselves, have aspirations to the highest dignities of the church. Dr. McIntyre claims that both Moses and Christ were opposed to women as preachers or executive officers of the church. The doctor may be exact as to history, but the average individual will be unable to understand why, if a woman is capable of being a Christian and of doing Christian work for the redemption of the world, she is not eligible in that work. Women now do most of the work in the churches, and certainly are entitled to a share in the credit and honor that comes from the management of the work.—Virden Record.

A Kind Word.

A kind word costs but little, but it may bless all day the one to whom it is spoken. Nay, have not kind words been spoken to you which have lived through years, and borne fruit of joy and hope? Let us speak kind to one another. We have burdens and worries, but let us not, therefore rasp and irritate those near us, those we love, those whom Christ would have us to save. Speak kindly in the morning; it lightens the cares of the day, and makes the household and all its affairs move along smoothly. Speak kindly at night, for it may be before dawn some loved one may finish his or her space of life for this world, and it will be too late to ask forgiveness.

REPORT

Of receipts and expenditures of the town of Meredosia for the year ending December 31, 1890:

To cash on hand.....	\$ 65 00
To saloon license.....	125 00
To pedlers license.....	15 00
To fines.....	44 25
To lumber sold.....	15 55
To cemetery funds.....	41 00
To special taxes.....	240 40
DISBURSEMENTS.	
By outstanding orders.....	\$224 00
By Marshall's salary.....	400 00
By lumber.....	440 54
By sundries.....	462 26
Balance on hand.....	12 55
Total.....	\$1548 35 \$1548 35

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our regular correspondence.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12, 1890.

Forcing the Force bill, against the real sentiments of a respectable minority of its own party, has gotten the republicans of the Senate into an ugly predicament, and were it not for the imminent danger of a financial panic, which was so strikingly set forth by Senator Gorman in a twenty minute speech this week, that is threatening our country there would be no sympathy for them. They sowed the wind and as a natural consequence are reaping the whirlwind. There is a serious revolt in their ranks, and unless the Force bill can be crowded through at once it will never go through.

Senator Plumb, who showed by his vote against the McKinley bill that he considered the interests of his constituents to be of more importance than the wishes of the republican leaders, has given formal notice that if the Force bill is not speedily disposed of he intends to move that it be laid aside and that bills for free coinage and other financial relief of the people be taken up; Senator Teller has gone on record as opposing the bill; Senator Washburn has stated privately that he would not vote for it, and most significant of all, Senator Quay, who has been paired on this measure with Senator Faulkner, has released Mr. Faulkner from the "pair" and gone home. The republican leaders night to reconcile the differences of opinion and find some hole to crawl out, but they did not succeed; and the whole thing, Force bill and financial matter, was postponed to another caucus to be held Monday. In the meantime they are trying to wear out the democrats by long sessions of the Senate, which now meets at 10 o'clock and has a daily night session.

The fact that the republicans of the House Census committee have determined to go ahead with the apportionment bill which they have agreed to, on a basis of 356 members of the House, without making any provision for the additional members that New York would be entitled to if a recount was made of the population of Brooklyn and New York City, is taken to mean that the republican bosses have decided that no recount should be had.

Mr. Harrison is moving Heaven and Earth, so to speak, to prevent the passage of a free coinage bill by Congress, and fearing that Speaker Reed might not succeed in stopping it in the House, he has been consulting with a number of prominent republicans in order to discover something that might satisfy the cravings of the appetite of the silver whale, and it is believed that it has about been decided to offer the project of the immediate purchase by the Government of all the silver bullion now in this country for that purpose, but the silver men say that nothing short of free and unlimited silver coinage will satisfy them.

Ex-Speaker Keifer is daily to be seen on the floor of the House, and it is said, and generally believed here, that he is there lobbying for the notorious ship subsidy bills, which Mr. Harrison has shown so much interest in, and which contains one of the largest "jobs" ever brought before Congress.

Secretaries Windom and Noble have become so alarmed over the pension payments, which bid fair to create such a big Treasury deficit in the near future, that they have laid the matter before Mr. Harrison, in the hope that some feasible method of reducing these payments by revising the pension rolls, or otherwise, may be concocted. They have succeeded in getting the Pension committees of the House to decide that no special pension legislation would be reported at the present session.

Commissioner Raum still hangs on, and the investigation committee, which has been afraid to submit its

white-washing report, has refused to allow Representative Cooper to submit proofs of his charges of the improper actions of Raum in

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It will be strange if one man—Speaker Reed—be allowed to prevent the House of Representatives passing a free coinage bill at this session of Congress.

The Ocala convention seems to have had a disturbing influence among the professional politicians, but it proved, in the main, satisfactory to those most concerned—the members of the Farmers' Alliance.

PRESIDENT POLK of the National Farmers' Alliance stated a rock-bound truth when he said at the Ocala convention: "If Congress doesn't get nearer to the people the people will get nearer to Congress."

If the Farmers' Alliance is to maintain the influence it has obtained in the political world it must beware of entanglements with either of the old parties; it must also steer clear of men identified with monopolistic corporations.

To Congress: Why not give the people a little legislation, one cent letter postage for instance. A bill has been introduced by Senator Cullum; now let the Senate committee on Post-offices see that it is promptly reported back to the Senate with a favorable recommendation.

JACK FROST seems to have succeeded in bringing the Sioux Indians to terms in short order. Sitting Bull having shown his ability as a weather prophet by predicting that there would be no cold weather this winter, should apply as once for a position in the weather bureau at Washington.

The bill which has been introduced in the House reducing the pension attorneys fee for obtaining an increase of pensions from \$10 to \$1 is a move in the right direction and should speedily become a law. Too many pension sharks are getting rich at the expense of the poor pensioners.

It is estimated that the newspapers of the country have spent a great deal more money in telegraph tolls, since the Sioux Indian scare began than would have been required to have quartered every living member of that tribe at a first class hotel for the entire winter. It might, have, been that if all the misstatements and exaggerations had been eliminated from these special dispatches, that Jay Gould's profits on the telegraph toll would not have been sufficient to buy him a lunch at a cheap restaurant.

FAILURES for lack of available money are growing more and more numerous in the commercial world and yet Congress has taken no effective step towards practical relief by increasing the amount of money in circulation. Bills by the dozen have been introduced, but it will require more than that to satisfy the clamorings of the people.

The most prominent and influential individual in the world at this time is that mythical rosy checked, white whiskered fellow, Kris Kringle, alias Santa Claus. He has the floor, and the jingle of the bells on his team of reindeers is making the merriest music of the year in every quarter of the civilized world. We join with our juvenile friends in wishing him a long, merry and prosperous life, and a memory that will not allow him to forget the most shabby stocking that may be hung in the most obscure corner of the humblest home.

The Apportionment bill which the Census Committee of the House of Representatives has agreed upon seems to be as fair as any measure prepared entirely by the members of one political party can be and we cannot see any reason for objection to its passage, except that it will add 24 members to the House, which is already too large and unwieldy a body but that objection was to be expected—politicians always go in for increasing offices. The North and West will under this bill get 18 and the South and South-west 6 new members, and no state will lose any. Only one State—Nebraska—will get more than 2 new members.

Through Peoria.

When it was first proposed by the Santa Fe and J. S. E. companies to form a through passenger traffic between Chicago and St. Louis it was generally understood that the connections would be made at Peoria, as the Santa Fe people have no track running into Peoria. But the thought of being unable to bid for the Peoria passenger business was not at all pleasing to the two companies, and they therefore set about to arrange a scheme by which the through trains might go through Peoria, and late Thursday succeeded in having their desires gratified. By the arrangement just consummated the through passenger will run on the Santa Fe track to Eureka, then on the Toledo, Peoria & Western to Peoria, and from there to St. Louis over the J. S. E. line. The new through trains will run as follows: The night train will leave Chicago at 7:40 p. m., arrive at Peoria at 12:50 a. m. It will remain there five minutes and arrive at Jacksonville at 3:50 a. m., and St. Louis at 7:35 a. m. The day train will leave Chicago at 6:45 a. m., reach Peoria at 12:55 p. m., stop 20 minutes for dinner and reach Jacksonville at 4:05 p. m., arriving at St. Louis at 8 p. m. The night train will leave St. Louis at 7:45 p. m., reach Jacksonville at 12:25 p. m., arrive in Peoria at 2:30 a. m. and Chicago at 7:40 a. m. The day train will leave St. Louis at 7:45 a. m., reach Jacksonville at 11:25 a. m., arrive in Peoria at 2:15 p. m., remain 20 minutes for dinner and reach Chicago at 7:40 p. m. By the new arrangement the Santa Fe people will have the train from Chicago to Eureka, where it will be taken by a J. S. E. engine and hauled over the T. P. & W. and J. S. E. tracks to St. Louis. Returning the train will be run to Eureka by the J. S. E., where it will be turned over to the Santa Fe people. A small roundhouse and some switches are being built at Eureka to accommodate the engines and crews that must lay over there. The distance from Chicago to St. Louis by this route is 337 miles.—Jacksonville Courier.

Not Settled.

The investigation which was held in the city last Monday by representatives of the Wabash and Chicago & Alton railroads relative to the late wreck at the Junction, did not of course, settle the question as to who was the party most to blame for the disaster, or who shall pay the cost for the same. A thorough investigation was made, which took up the time from 9 o'clock a. m. till 2:30 p. m. The testimony was transferred to paper, a copy of which was furnished the heads of each road, who, after due consideration, will settle the matter either by due process of law or otherwise. In the meantime the wrecked sleeper still stares the traveling public in the face as it occupies a side track near the C. & A. freight house, as a monument to somebody's carelessness. It is not a good advertisement for the railroad. —Jacksonville Courier.

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—Grandma Ripley was eighty-nine years old one day last week.

—Miss Katie Carver and Mrs. Savage visited in Naples last Monday.

—Rex Cox, of Mt. Sterling, was in the city between trains Tuesday evening.

—Mrs. John Lawson and family were visiting in Naples a few days this week.

—John Edmundson and wife, of Morgan City, were in Meredosias shopping last Monday.

—Miss Ella Reyland, daughter of Postmaster Reyland of Marble, arrived in Carbondale a few days ago.—Crystal (Colo.) Current.

—Basco, Hancock county, claims to have more handsome widows and beautiful maidens than any other town of its size in Illinois. It has nicknamed itself "Widows' Retreat and Beauty's Stronghold."

—Wm. Apperson, our street commissioner, has been improving the looks of the News office by putting a new walk in front. He has been improving the walks generally over the town and they are in a much better condition.

—Gen. Ben Grierson and son, of New Mexico, are visiting old comrades and friends in this place. During the war Mr. Grierson was one of the leading generals and at the close was placed in command of the regular army. He is now on the retired list. He was in business in this place about thirty years ago.

—George H. Palmer, editor and publisher of the Winchester Standard, was a caller at our sanctum last week. He gives us good encouragement as to the prosperity of the News, and also the Scott County Herald, recently established by us at Bluffs. He was here inspecting the G. A. R. Post, No. 423, which was done Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

—We have received a complimentary ticket to the grand musicale to be given under the auspices of the Gen City Business College, of Quincy, at the opera house, Jan. 9. The entertainment will consist of reading by that queen of readers, (of which you have heard) Laura Dainty, assisted by the Bljout Courier Company and the celebrated whistler, A. C. Weaver.

—Many years practice has given Messrs. C. A. Snow & Co., patent solicitors, opposite U. S. Patent Office, Washington, D. C., unsurpassed facilities for obtaining patents. They give the same courteous attention to a request for information from a stranger that they do their clients' business, which accounts for much of their success.

—As our readers will observe, we have an over abundance of advertising this week. We hope our readers will have patience and bear with us as Christmas comes but once a year and we must do all we can in this line. You will notice that all the enterprising merchants are represented in these columns. Every one of them will merit your patronage and you can confer a great favor on us by giving it to them. Look over their advertisements carefully and make your selections.

—Raven Sprague, Quincy's famous race horse, returned home last week, and is now at the farm of his owner, Earnest Dick. Raven left that city last June, going to Spencer, Iowa. From there he was campaigned all over the country, winning up the season at Jackson, Miss. He had participated in thirty races this season, and won first money twenty-eight times, and has reduced his record from 2:25 to 2:19.—Ex.

—We saw a notice a few days since of the death and burial somewhere in this state of a man six feet six inches high, who it was claimed, was the tallest man in the state. This claim is unfounded. Mr. Jeffrey B. Sifton, of Detroit, brother of Lieut. J. K. Sifton, of this place, measures six feet six and three-quarter inches in height. He is one of seven brothers, all of whom measure over six feet, six inches being the lowest; if we are not mistaken.—Pike Co. Democrat.

—We respectfully call the attention of the citizens of Meredosias and all others in need of stoves, hardware, etc., to the ad. of Mrs. Wegheft in this issue. We took a look through her establishments one day last week and we can truthfully say that she has the finest and largest line of stoves, hardware and iron in Morgan county. The store is packed from cellar to garret with all new and the latest improved goods. We assure the public that by calling on you can save 50 to 75 per cent. It has been clearly demonstrated that all business men advertise and by referring to the columns of this News it will be seen that there is no other firm who handles hardware exclusively. Call and see the line.

—Henry Gels spent Sunday in Quincy visiting friends.

—Bud Hale is courting again this week.

—Stout's Snag Proof Rubber Boot at A. E. Ritscher.

—Will Pond Sundayed in Hersman, the guest of John Cox.

—Just think of it, 3 pounds of candy for 25 cents at Hysinger & Grahams.

—Frank Wilson and D. Watts were out of town Sunday.

—Bill Summers and Chas. Waters, of Naples, spent Monday last in this place.

—The finest line of fancy candles in the city at Hysinger & Grahams.

—Bear in mind that a grand ball will be given at Einstein's hall Christmas Eve.

—Bottom prices on watches, clocks and jewelry at Ray's drug store.

—Miss Susie Jackson, of Griggsville, was the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Stafford Smith, a few days this week.

—A whole car load of candy just arrived at Hysinger & Graham, 3 pounds for 25 cents.

—D. E. Little, local editor of the Scott County Herald, Bluffs, was a business caller last Tuesday afternoon.

—Henry Schaffer and Joseph Schmitt were in Quincy last Sunday.

—Regular services at the M. E. church next morning and evening.

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This is a vertical, high-contrast, black and white image. It appears to be a close-up of a textured surface, possibly a book cover or endpaper. The left side is light gray with a fine, grainy texture. A dark, vertical strip runs along the right side, creating a strong contrast. There are some faint, horizontal lines and small dark spots scattered across the light gray area. The overall composition is minimalist and abstract.

NOTICE.—The Publishers of this paper hold themselves responsible for any views that may be advanced by correspondents. To insure insertion communications must reach us not later than Tuesday noon. Correspondence solicited.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

A Raritan man has a mare twenty-two years of age, which is the mother of nineteen horses.

A farmer at Sugar Grove, Schuyler county, has just sold a yearling colt for seven hundred dollars.

A Moline girl recently wheeled her lover around the square in a wheelbarrow, that being the agreement in case Cable was elected.

A lady living near Colchester, aged 57 years, called upon a physician a few days since for medicine for herself, stating that previous to that time she had never taken a dose of medicine prepared by a doctor.

At Carthage, Mo., November 28, Mrs. Hodges, the wife of a miner, gave birth to a diminutive baby eight inches long and which weighed but eight ounces. The midwife was well formed and handsome and lived two days. Its body will be embalmed and will be exhibited.

The Carthage base ball club is thinking seriously of suing for \$75. the managers of the La Harpe district fair. This was the amount offered by the association for the best base ball club taking part in the tournament, but because of the Colchester club refusing to play the deciding game, the fair refused to pay the money, although it is claimed by Carthage, that the game was given to them.

A tragic death, surrounded by great mystery, occurred in this city last night, the victim having been Jack Dutell, of Troy, Lincoln county, whose body lies cold in death at the undertaking establishment of R. A. Curtis, having been literally cut to pieces by the wheels of an M. K. & T. engine between 6 and 7 o'clock last night at the point on the track between Center and Broadway streets.—Hannibal Journal.

A Doctor announces the second official visit of la grippe with colors flying. Several improvements have been added, making it quite superior to the well remembered plague of last year. The chief feature of the new visitation is to be a tremendous swelling of the tongue. It will fall hard on gossips and gluttons and will establish a suspension of their habitual operation for three days and nights. As a choice between that and cholera, fastidious connoisseurs may choose the latter, on the principle that to act with dignity is preferable to living in ignominy for seventy-four hours like gagged shrews of the fourteenth century.—Ex.

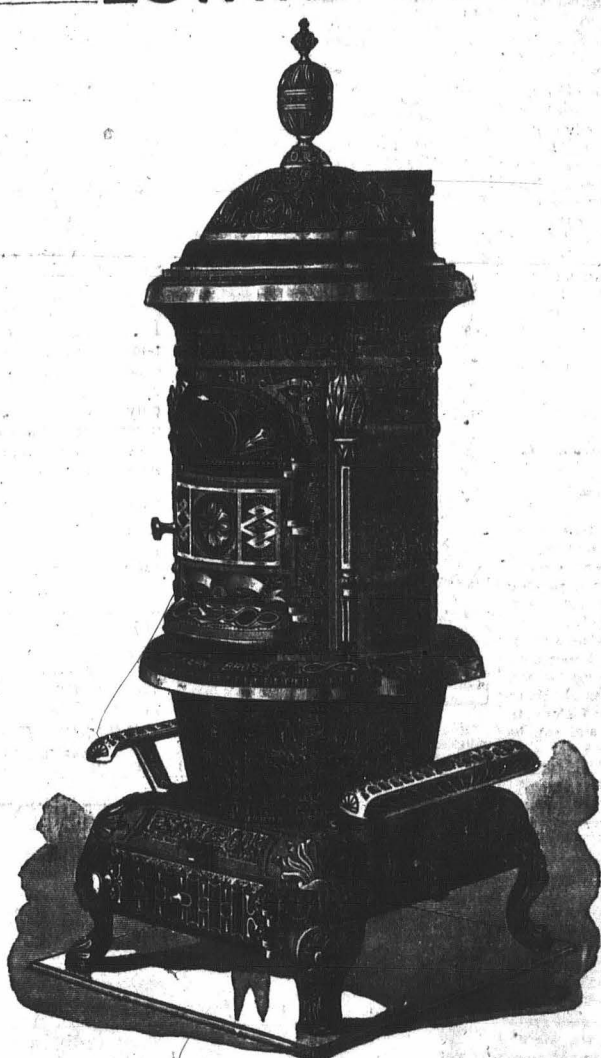
No Conductor.

The fact of a passenger train making a sixty mile run without conductor or brakeman is a new feature in railroad, and is an event that very rarely transpires, but the Wabash had an incident of that kind yesterday morning. The train was the "cannon ball" going east, which arrives here at 2:15. After making the stop at Hannibal the engineer supposed everything was all right, seeing no signal to hold the train, and he pulled open the throttle and continued on his run. They had a passenger for Barry and the train was stopped to let her off when it was discovered that neither conductor nor brakeman were aboard. The conductor had gone into the dispatcher's office at Hannibal for orders, and as the engineer claims he never waits for a signal to pull out of there he left after giving the conductor time enough to get the orders. The affair placed the engineer in a sorry plight and his only way out of the dilemma was to get the agent out and telegraph to Springfield to know what to do. He was ordered to take the train on to Bluffs, where another conductor was supplied and the train continued on to Chicago. Next will come the settlement with the employers. It was certainly a neglect of duty on the part of somebody, but as no accident resulted from it they will probably be lightly dealt with and told to do so no more.—Barry Adage.

—Presiding Elder W. D. Best has received returns from all of the Methodist churches in the Jacksonville district, giving the vote on the question of admitting women to the general conference as lay delegates. They were cast for the proposition 516 votes and against it 141, the total being 657 votes.

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36 inch all wool suitings.....	23 20 pounds Light Brown Sugar.....	1 00
Red Comforts as low as.....	85 4 pounds Best Roast Coffee.....	1 00
Men's all wool underwear, per suit.....	50 4 pounds Best Imperial Tea.....	1 00
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be openly disposed of by the House, and not quietly pigeonholed by the committee on Ways and Means; therefore he has offered a resolution in the House directing that committee to report the bill to the House by Monday, Jan. 5, the following Monday to be fixed for its consideration. Mr. Pierce has little hope that his resolution will be adopted, but thinks it will have a good effect as a feeler of pulses.

The big fight which had been for months predicted to take place in the House over the apportionment bill, did not occur. There was no occasion for it, as the bill, which was unanimously reported from the committee on the Census, which contains such rock-bound democrats as Representative Holman, was as fair and free from partisanship as any similar bill ever passed by Congress. The democrats however made the short debate quite a lively one, by attacking the accuracy of the Census, and Superintendent Porter's methods, and the republicans stoutly defend both. Representative Spinola, of New York, was the only speaker who descended to vituperation. He said that Secretary Noble's letter to Gov. Hill was a blackguard, impudent letter, unworthy to emanate from anyone calling himself a gentleman. No opposition is expected to the bill in the Senate.

The action of Mr. Mills, who is generally recognized as the democratic leader in the House, in offering a concurrent resolution for a Congressional recess from Dec. 22 to Jan. 5, has caused it to be believed that the democrats want an extra session of the Fifty-second Congress held in the spring. The resolution was referred to the committee on Ways and Means, which is not likely to report it back to the House without shortening the time of the recess by at least half, perhaps more. Some say there will be no recess. This question is not worrying many Senators or members because the most of them will take all the holiday they want whether Congress remains in session or not.

No regrets are expressed by Senators or Representatives from the northwest at the news of the killing of Sitting Bull. The Citizens National Alliance, a secret organization composed of the residents of cities who sympathize with the aims of the Farmers' Alliance, is to establish headquarters and a newspaper organ in this city. Prominent Knight's of Labor are pushing the new organization.

The House has now under consideration the substitute reported by the Committee on Merchant Marine for the two subsidy shipping bills that were passed by the Senate at the last session. Several prominent republicans, including Representative Cannon, are opposed to the bill, but from the best information I can obtain it will probably pass.

The House Committee on Commerce has made an adverse report on the Senate bill to amend the Interstate Commerce law, by allowing the commission to hold special sessions in any part of the United States and to allow a single Commissioner or agents appointed by the Commission to prosecute inquiries under the law.

Next week a joint committee will try to find out something about the purchase of American Industries by English syndicates. Among those summoned to testify are Mr. Pillsbury of the Minneapolis Flour Mills, and Frank Jones and J. V. Hawson, of the Portsmouth, N. H., Breweries.

It now looks as if the election bill would become a law, as a republican caucus has decided that the rules shall be changed as soon as the new silver bill, which is to be taken up next week, is to be disposed of.

From Versailles.

Bert Pike was in Versailles Sunday evening.

Charlie Burgess was in Mt. Sterling Saturday.

Jerome Vandeventer returned from Colorado Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Clark, of Rushville, are visiting relatives in town.

Mrs. M. E. Henderson will spend the holidays with her parents in Knoxville, Iowa.

Mrs. J. M. Hambaugh is in Brevier,

Mo., the guest of her mother Mrs. Cullinan.

Mrs. Emma Rowland and children are visiting in Schuyler county.

Horace and Dora Vandeventer are at home from school to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Thompson are the parents of a son born Monday, December 22.

Mrs. M. V. Martin and Mrs. Aaron Stinson will spend Christmas with relatives in Missouri.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Metz attended the funeral of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Smith's baby at Chambersburg last Friday.

Our merchants have the largest stock of holiday goods ever displayed in this town and they all seem to have a good trade.

The Methodist and Christian Sunday school will each have a concert and Christmas tree in their church on Christmas eve.

Mrs. Foster and Maggie and Cecil went to St. Louis Monday evening. From there Mrs. Foster will go to Cincinnati where she will spend the winter.

The ladies of the Christian church are making great preparations for their fair which they will hold in connection with their annual dinner and supper Christmas day at Reid's Hall.

Mrs. S. F. Barker, who has been sick so long with consumption, died Sunday afternoon about 4 o'clock. She was born in Ohio and was married about eighteen years ago. She was a member of the Methodist church and was about 38 years of age. She leaves besides a husband, a mother and several brothers and sisters in Kansas. Her funeral was held at the M. E. church, Monday at 3 o'clock, Rev. Miles delivering the sermon.

ANOTHER.

Jno. Reisch was in Quincy Wednesday.

Will Tarrant spent Tuesday in Mt. Sterling.

M. V. Martin and wife visited in Meteor Sunday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Pat. Quigley, Dec. 18, a daughter.

Miss Julia Glaze spent Saturday and Sunday in Jacksonville.

Aaron Stinson and M. V. Martin were in Quincy Tuesday.

Fred Burgess and Allan Bates had business in Quincy Monday.

The Masons will give a supper in their hall next Saturday night.

Thomas Gray left on Thursday for Madison, Ind., to visit relatives.

Jas. Brady, of Quincy, is visiting friends in this community this week.

Misses Birdie Bond and Dollie Rowland were visiting in Mt. Sterling Friday.

J. L. Peters, A. J. Pool and A. C. Burgess made Chicago a business visit this week.

Zeb Ravenscroft, who has been an inmate of the Hospital in Quincy, came home Monday night.

William Yates and wife, of Griggsville, visited Mrs. Yates' mother, Mrs. Ravenscroft, here last week.

The ladies of the Christian church will give their annual Christmas supper at Reid's Hall Christmas evening. Married, at the residence of the bride's mother, five miles east of this place on Thursday Dec. 18, Chas. Henry to Mary Morgan. They took the west bound train for a short wedding trip. We wish them many blessings and few sorrows.

Married, at the residence of the bride's mother in Meteor, on Thursday, Dec. 18, Miss Alice Meteer to Samuel Hawk. We wish them abundant success in life and may their joys be many and sorrows few. (Accept our congratulations, friends.—Ed.)

Mrs. Barker, wife of our esteemed friend, and fellow citizen; Ves Barker, died at the family residence Sunday. Mrs. Barker has been in poor health for some time and her death was daily expected. We did not learn the particulars of the case, hence cannot give them.

George H. Sinton, of Griggsville, wants a divorce from his wife Jane A. Sinton whom he alleges is a habitual drunkard, abusing her husband and making his life a burden.

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MEREDOSIA, ILLINOIS.

The Indian trouble is not likely to last long. Even the Sioux, who are confessedly the most warlike and courageous of his race, has little stomach for fighting except when the advantage is on his side.

The Bank of England appears to be gaining from other countries about as much gold as it is losing to us. Thus England is reconciled to the movement of the yellow metal in this direction, and the United States is not grumbling.

Mr. PARNELL is making a very vigorous and determined fight; and some of his enemies seem to be doing him more good than harm, by reason of their inability to discriminate between what is expedient and what is idiotic in political warfare.

The South American governments are very busy just now in Southeastern Europe, through commissioners, in looking for immigrants. The United States would not be averse to getting rid of some of its residents who come from that locality.

The extravagant offers of the cattle syndicates for the Cherokee lands are evidently intended to complicate and defeat the negotiations of the Government with the Indians; and the latter will make a great mistake if they permit themselves to be influenced by such preposterous propositions.

There are 30,000 pension attorneys in the United States, and their profits aggregate over \$2,000,000 per year. That is to say, they live by contributions exacted from the crippled and dependent soldiers of the country, and the money voted by Congress as a sacred charity is diverted from its legitimate purposes to the extent of the fees that they receive.

The retention which has recently been made by the New York banks of \$1,000,000 of the clearing-house certificates which they have drawn is one of the favorable features of the business situation. This proves that the banks are either stronger than they were a week or two ago, or that they are satisfied the danger period has about passed.

The readiness with which the House of Representatives passed the Congressional Apportionment bill indicates that there will not be any formidable opposition to the measure in the Senate. Democrats and Republicans alike seem convinced that it is as fair a scheme as could be devised, and there will not be any very serious attempt to prevent its enactment.

The fact that the Bank of England has not increased its discount rate recently is an evidence that the monetary conditions on the other side of the Atlantic are favorable, and that no serious danger is looked for. Several millions of dollars in gold have left England for the United States in the past few days, and apparently as much more could be spared.

The indications are that the proposed agreement of the Western railroads will prove to be a success. It is mainly due to the fact that the power of rate-making where it can not be abused, and thus to insure uniformity and stability. This will be better for the roads, of course, and it will also be more to the interest of the public than the present uncertain and confusing policy.

The readiness with which the Apportionment bill passed one branch of Congress, and the probability that it will encounter no formidable resistance in the other, afford some hope that the Senate will find time to send the National Bankruptcy bill to the President. There is no partisanship in either, and the latter as well as the former is a carefully drawn and needed measure.

MINISTER RYAN, now on an official visit to Washington, says that our trade relations with Mexico are friendly, but not satisfactory. The commerce between the two countries last year reached \$80,000,000, and it would have been at least twice as much, in his opinion, if it had acted wisely in the past. It is not yet too late to do the right and profitable thing in that respect.

The experiment is to be tried of establishing the American quail in China, and for that purpose a hundred dozen of the birds have been ordered by a number of Americans living in the vicinity of Shanghai, and the first shipment has been made. The quail is a hardy bird and easily adapts itself to circumstances, and it is not impossible that "Bob White's" whistle will be soon heard from the fields of the Orient.

SYDNEY BULL, the Sioux Indian chief recently killed, was one of the last of the great Indian leaders who have come to the surface of affairs since the close of the civil war. With his contemporaries, Red Cloud, Spotted Tail, Black Kettle and Joseph, he has served to retard the progress of the white man's march on the country. In some slight degree, at least, of Logan, Pontiac and Tecumseh, the red potentates who figured in our earlier annals. Perhaps, if the choice had been permitted him, he would have selected the form of death which he has met. At all events there was an element of fitness in the manner as well as the time of his taking off.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Compiled from Various Sources.

CONGRESSIONAL PROCEEDINGS.
The Senate, on the 19th, passed a resolution calling for information about money paid to John L. Davenport as supervisor of elections in the State of New York. Mr. Davenport, after being asked to charge made against him in the Senate, he investigated. Mr. Davenport's resolution inquiring whether the right to vote has been abridged in any of the States was discussed without action. Speeches on the subject were made by Messrs. Morgan, Keane and Davenport. In the House a resolution for a holiday recess from December 22 to January 5 was offered by Mr. Mills. The Apportionment bill was taken up and discussed at length.

The Senate on the 17th, the bill providing for the sale of the old custom-house building at Erie, Pa., was passed. The remainder of the session was devoted to the discussion of the bill. Mr. Hoar asked that a time be fixed for voting on the bill, but Mr. Morgan said that the Senate was just on the threshold of debate and he did not think that a time could be fixed now. In the House, after considerable debate on the measure, the Apportionment bill was passed by a vote of 187 to 82.

In the Senate, on the 16th, a resolution calling for a report from the Fish Commission on the proposed fish hatchery in Northern New York, was passed. A bill to terminate the reduction in number of the Engineer Corps of the navy. A bill to define certain treaty stipulations was debated and then placed on the calendar. Speeches on the subject were made by Messrs. Calkins, Cockrell and Bate. A number of building bills and private relief measures were passed. In the House the following Senate bills were passed: To bridge the Green and Barren rivers, in Kentucky; to provide for taking depositions in interstate commerce hearings; authorizing Albany, Ore., to bridge the Willamette river, and authorizing Humphrey County, Tenn., to bridge the Duck river. The Shipping bill was debated at length, but went over without action.

In the Senate, on the 16th, Mr. Stanford made a lengthy address in support of his Government Loan bill, which was referred to the finance committee. The Finance bill was passed. Mr. Blair made a long humorous personal explanation to show the failure of a published story in the House. Mr. Stanford made a long speech on the bill conferring powers on the Baltimore & Potomac railroad in the District of Columbia was agreed to, as was also, the conference report on the bill amending the act to divide the Sioux Indians in Dakota.

In the Senate, on the 20th, after the passage of a number of private pension bills, in the morning hour, the Federal Elections bill was taken up, and Mr. Spooner made a long speech in support of the measure. In the House, on the 20th, the bill providing for the public building bills were agreed to. The Finance bill was passed. The Finance bill was passed. The Finance bill was passed.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.
In a recent speech at Kilkenny, Mr. Justin McCarthy, the Irish leader, deprecated the assault on Mr. Parnell, and said it would secure its victim many votes which he would otherwise never have received.

The effort made to secure the indictment, by the Federal grand jury in the case of Attorney General Miller for violation of the franking privilege, was not successful.

On the 19th the three parties being treated at the University of Pennsylvania by the Koch method each exhibited a slightly reaction. No other symptoms except those expected had developed.

EMPEROR WILLIAM is said to contemplate making Alsace-Lorraine a province, not only separate, but to a certain degree autonomous, to be held by a Prince of the house of Hohenzollern. It is understood that the emperor is being discussed by the Cabinet, and a plan may probably be submitted to the Reichstag, which body, under imperial direction, has control of the conquered territory.

On the 26th Giovanni Succi successfully ended his forty-five days' fast in New York City. During his remarkable period of abstaining from food he drank twenty-one quarts of alkaline water and nine and a half quarts of Croton water. His weight, which at the beginning of his fast was 147½ pounds, was reduced to 104½ pounds. Instead of the watermelon, which Dr. Succi had terminated his great fast of forty days, Senator Succi's first nourishment was a cup of cocoa.

On the 20th a bill appropriating \$50,000 for a statue of General Francis Pickens, to be erected in Columbia, S. C., was reported favorably to the Senate.

CRIMES AND CASUALTIES.
S. A. KEAN, the Chicago banker whose failure has been announced, and his cashier, Warner, were arrested, on the 18th, charged with receiving deposits while having full knowledge of the insolvent condition of the bank.

ARTHUR HOTT DAY, of Rochester, N. Y., who murdered his wife by pushing her over the precipitous bank of the Niagara river in July last, was hanged at Welland, Ont., on the 18th.

On the 19th the moonlighters, whose prosecution aroused wide interest in Ireland, were sentenced at Sligo. Lalor received a sentence of penal servitude for life, and the other prisoners sentenced to various terms of imprisonment, varying from twelve months to twenty years. In passing sentence the judge expressed regret that the instigators of the outrage had not been brought to trial.

On the 19th Reuben La Montagne, the murderer of Napoleon Michel, the brother-in-law, was hanged in the jail-yard at Sherbrooke, Que. Just before the execution Sheriff Webb died in Jailor Reed's private office of acute heart failure induced by excitement incident to the hanging.

SOME time ago H. R. C. Foster, an attorney of Hernando, Miss., killed C. R. Brice, another attorney, because of insults offered to Mrs. Foster. After investigating the case, the grand jury indicted Foster on the ground that he "acted the part of a sensible and sane man, who vindicated the law and acted in accord with the sentiments of an honorable, brave, true, noble and virtuous man."

The famous trial of Eyraud, the Parisian stranger, and his accomplice, Gabrielle Bonpard, was concluded on the 20th, the jury returning a verdict of guilty as to both culprits, but with extenuating circumstances as to the woman. Eyraud was sentenced to death by the guillotine and Gabrielle Bonpard received a sentence of twenty years' imprisonment with hard labor.

The case of ex-Mayor Pendleton of Fort Worth, Tex., promises some interesting developments. It appears that the law firm of Hughes & Campbell, of New York City, who "procured" the divorce for Pendleton, forged the document and also had made to order a counterfeit of the seal of Cook County, Ill., wherewith to authenticate the document. Pendleton is after the lawyers with blood in his eye.

MISCELLANEOUS.
Cold weather prevails in various parts of North Germany. At some points the thermometer has fallen 17 centigrade. Floating ice fills the Rhine and its tributaries, and the pontoon bridges have been removed.

The plan for the conversion of the Argentine paper issues into a sterling loan is said to have been settled. It has been agreed by all the English nitrate companies to limit their output without increasing prices beyond return on the capital invested.

The Military Academy Appropriation bill, which was agreed to on the 19th by the House committee on military affairs, provides liberally for improvements at West Point. Among the items is \$28,000 for new tanks and bath-rooms for cadets.

On the 19th it was rumored that the Thames and Medway fleets of the British navy had received orders to hold position, to prevent any further sailing to quell any outbreak in Ireland.

The finances of the Government of San Salvador are reported in a bad condition. The Treasury continues to rage in the City of Mexico, causing great havoc. A bill has been introduced in the Senate, providing for the sale of arms and ammunition to Indians residing upon reservations.

The New York Bacteriological Institute, comprising a Pasteur and Koch department for the treatment of hydrophobia and tuberculosis, recently filed articles of incorporation.

The Wells-Fargo Express Company has declared a semi-annual dividend of four per cent.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

In the Senate, on the 23d, the days session was devoted to the discussion of the Federal Elections bill. Mr. Higgins made a long speech in support of the bill, and Mr. Voorhees another long address in opposition to it. In the House, the day up to adjournment, at 3:15 p. m., was spent in considering matters pertaining to the District of Columbia.

The Philadelphia mint authorities have discovered a counterfeit five-dollar gold piece, designed and executed with such remarkable skill that few of the experts can distinguish the spurious coin from the genuine. It differs from the true coin only in size, being slightly larger in diameter. In order to retire the spurious coin from circulation the mint officials will purchase the bogus gold piece for its face value, and then destroy them. The counterfeiters have an intrinsic value of \$4.00.

The steamer Magnat, loaded with meat, potatoes and other government stores, sailed from Portsmouth for Galway yesterday. On arriving at the latter port the steamer's cargo was unloaded, and the provisions hurried for sale to the various famine-stricken districts of Western Ireland. Three additional vessels have been engaged, and the work will be continued for months.

In the Supreme Court of the United States Justice Brewer, on the 22d, announced the opinion of the court in the case of William R. Bassett against the United States, in which the court held that a wife's testimony against her husband while he was under trial for polygamy is incompetent.

The motion to suspend judgment and for a new trial in the case of General Peter J. Cullen, president of the Sixth National Bank of New York, who was tried to wreck, was, on the 23d, denied by the United States Court in banc, without right of appeal.

GUSTAV REVELLID, the noted Swiss writer and archaeologist, died in Cairo, Egypt, on the 23d. He bequeathed his valuable private museum and fortune of over \$100,000 to his native place, Geneva. He was seventy-three years of age.

The citizens' committee, consisting of members of the Board of Trade and the Oregon Board of Immigration, have decided a guarantee fund of \$300,000 for the purpose of starting an independent Democratic newspaper in Portland, Ore. Several of the English iron masters in the Cleveland district have given notice that on account of the condition of trade they will be compelled to make a large reduction of wages in January.

ILLINOIS STATE NEWS.

Illinois Schools.
Dr. Richard Edwards, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, has prepared his report for the years 1889 and 1890, and although it has not gone to the printer, some interesting figures have been procured from it.

The report shows that there are in the State 1,044,000 males, against 1,669,640 in 1888. Of this number 573,265 are males and 570,735 are females. The average age of the males is 21.1 years, of which 500,000 are males and 573,400 females. The total enrollment in the graded schools is 400,150, of whom 198,019 are males and 202,131 females, showing an increase in two years of 32,257. The enrollment in graded schools is 375,102, of whom 198,189 are males and 176,913 females, a decrease in two years of 5,267. The total enrollment is 775,259, an increase in two years of 26,702, and in ten years of 74,778. The per cent. of children of school age enrolled is 65.2. It was 67.24 in 1888. The enrollment in graded schools is 375,102, of whom 198,189 are males and 176,913 females, a decrease in two years of 5,267. The total enrollment is 775,259, an increase in two years of 26,702, and in ten years of 74,778. The per cent. of children of school age enrolled is 65.2. It was 67.24 in 1888. 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GLADSTONE will be 81 years old the 25th of this month.

In Ireland just now any head that bobs up is likely to get cracked.

The letter carriers are looking forward to better pay. A bill granting it is now before congress.

The presence of a third party would be very disagreeable at the meeting of the two old parties in '92.

Mrs. CRISTY, who still wears mourning for her husband, is in Washington trying to have her pension increased from \$25 to \$100 per month.

ISRAEL KIMBALL, for twenty-eight years a clerk in the Internal Revenue Bureau of the Treasury Department died at Washington, on the 11th, aged seventy-nine years.

The ways and means committee of the House decided, on the 15th, to report a bill extending the bonded period of the tariff law from February 1 to July 1 next year.

GEORGE WASHINGTON easily takes the first place in the affection of the autograph collectors, now that one of his letters sold for \$310, while one of his private memorandum book fetches \$760.

The great bankers and railroad kings declare that no more railroads shall be built for two years in this country. They may think better of their resolution and allow a few side-tracks to be built somewhere.

A FAMILY named Earl, of Carthage, Mo., is reported to have fallen heir to a cool million. The next day after the news was received at Carthage callers were numerous at the Earl homestead. The Earls are being treated like lords or princes now.

Gen. E. BURD GRABER, our minister to Spain, hasn't a name that is always new, saved by the profane, paraphrase and echoes, but he prides himself on it with a pride that will be utterly crushed when he reads the congressional directory (second session) and finds it E. Burd Graber.

Several Kansas City dailies have been permitted to hold gipsy dances. An investigation shows that there is a large class of colored people, which has been brought about by some man who is going among them painting himself off as a musician.

"GATH" has been interviewing Jay Gould and has elicited from the wizard the opinion that this country will never be prosperous until all the railroads are under one management. It must be admitted that Mr. Gould is working very pertinaciously to bring prosperity to the nation in this manner.

Bluffs Briefs.

(From the Herald, Sat. Dec. 26th.)
Died on the 15th, the infant babe of Mr. and Mrs. John Hancock.
Regular services at the Catholic and M. E. churches every alternate Sunday at 11 a. m.

We notice that J. C. Lewis replenishing his stock of coal. He seems to think winter is coming.
Elisha Arnitage, an old and respected citizen of Exeter, was in Bluffs interviewing the merchants.

H. P. Lewis, our deputy sheriff, and Thos. Summers, of Winchester, were in Bluffs Tuesday on business.

The cry of our merchants is: "Since man to man is so unjust, we hardly know what man to trust," so they sell cheap for cash to-day and trust to-morrow.

Frank Tinson, one the carpenters on the new mill got a nail in his foot the other day and has been laid up since. He was able to go to work this week, however.

John Tewksbury, who has been laid up for two or three weeks with a gripe, was on the streets Thursday. He says he grips one pretty hard and is not in a hurry to let a fellow go.

An election will be held in Bluffs, on Dec. 23rd to fill vacancies caused by the resignation of F. C. Shore, police magistrate; O. Howard, Geo. Mathews and Elmer Hale, judges.

A cow belonging to Henry Batley went mad while running at large one day last week. No serious damage was done. Mr. Crews and several others received slight injuries in getting over fences.

The new mill is nearing completion and when complete we hope the public will show their appreciation of a so long, much needed enterprise in our thriving village, by giving it their support. The corporation will be known as the Bluffs Roller Mill Company.

Rev. F. C. Shore returned home from the south part of Morgan county where he has been assisting in a revival meeting and reports a good meeting and a number of conversions. He will begin a series of meetings in Green county after the holidays. As the Parson is a great revivalist no doubt there will be great good come to that people through him.

The corner stone of the Odd Fellows' temple and opera house, at Alton, Ill., was recently laid with imposing ceremonies. The new edifice will be a proud structure and will be located just one block from where the first lodge of the state was instituted. This was Western Star Lodge No. 1. It was organized by Thos. Wildy, with nine charter members on Aug. 11, 1836. John R. Patterson, who was the first candidate initiated, was present at the exercises.

Quincy boys read so much about Indian ghost dances they borrowed, without permission, all the cigar signs in the town, built a big fire on a common and proceeded to imitate the red men in a fantastic form. The wild whoop of a policeman raised their hair and put the kids to flight.

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—At a regular meeting of Benevolent Lodge, No. 52, A. F. & A. M., held at their hall last Saturday evening, the following officers were elected and installed for the incoming year: Henry Wegehoff, W. M.; J. C. Kratz, S. W.; Dr. F. A. Nevill, J. W.; Peter Baujan, Treas.; D. H. Lollis, Sec'y.

—While in Meredosia last Saturday we made The News office a brief call and found Messrs Hedenberg & Stinson very gentlemanly people. They have a neat office with everything new and issue a neat paper. They also publish the Bluffs Herald, a paper recently started devoted to the interest of Bluffs and vicinity.—Winchester Standard.

—A young man from the other side of the river caused a sensation Saturday by stepping into the street and declaring that he could whip the best man in the limits of Meredosia, in fact the entire corporation. He was very noisy about it, but when confronted by Constable Apperson his grit failed him and he was taken before Police Magistrate Ritscher and fined \$5 and costs. The cause of the row was an old score, the young man claiming that a citizen of this place picked up \$5 belonging to him three or four years ago.

—The Christmas tree at the M. E. church to-night (Wednesday) promises to be a delightful time for the children as they always have been. The teachers are sparing no pains from the looks of the program they have prepared and the candy the Superintendent has provided for the children. All are invited to attend. We are requested to state that those wishing to present their presents to friends or their children can leave them at the church or any of the stores where they will be taken care of. An admission fee of 15 cents will be charged to defray expenses. Children free.

—The long winter nights will soon be here. It behooves every parent to make provisions whereby their children may be supplied with proper pleasures for these evenings. See that they have good newspapers and books. Give them an opportunity to devote part of their evenings to mind culture and then do not forget to interest them in innocent games. Keep them at home if possible. Make that home so pleasant that they will not desire to leave it. Treat them as if they were as important members of the family as your wife or husband, and our word for it, you will raise them up to useful manhood and womanhood.—Ex.

—Barry Adage. According to the Hannibal papers there is a good prospect for another passenger train being placed on this branch of the Wabash. For sometime there has been a "bolt-tail" train running between Decatur and Bluffs, and the proposition is to extend the run of this train from Bluffs to Hannibal, there to connect with the train on the Short. Line to and from St. Louis. The plan is feasible and would be a good thing for the residents along the road. It would leave Barry going west about noon and connect with the 1:35 train for St. at Hannibal. Returning, it would leave Hannibal about 2:30. The train would fill the bill completely, and we are for it.

—The preacher works for the souls of men and generally gets his pay; the merchant reaps his reward for toil in profits from day to day; the banker sits in his office chair, with his bundle of cash to rent, and gathers a harvest month by month, of a vigorous two percent; the dealer in gin stands behind the bar and fills up the schooners high, and gingles them the boys "blow in" for portions of good old rye; the lawyers and doctors find work to do that brings in the

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As Italian has succeeded in going forty-five days without food. Now, can any one tell what benefit the world will get from it?

If the man who threw the lime on Mr. Parnell is ever caught, he might set up as a defense that the lime was intended for disinfecting purposes.

Lots of newspaper space is being wasted in explaining the how, why and wherefore of the killing of the late Sitting Bull. He is dead—that's enough.

BENJAMIN F. BUTLER, lawyer, soldier, statesman, orator and several other things, has delivered another "farewell" lecture. Look out for the next one, it's coming.

SOUTH DAKOTA must be anxious to rival Chicago in the divorce business. It only requires ninety days residence in the new state to procure a divorce. Fewer divorces, not more, is what the country needs.

The New York Herald still sticks to its boom for Charles A. Dana for United States Senator from New York, which is a little peculiar for the Herald; but all the same New York will never have an able Senator than Charles A. Dana will make.

STATISTICS dispel many illusions. We had always supposed that New York was one of the most enlightened and progressive states in the Union, but we must change our mind if the statistical feud, who says there are 800,000 children of school age, that is, between five and twenty-one years old that do not attend any school in the state, be correct.

It does not now appear probable that a free coinage bill will be passed at the present session of Congress. It is admitted by all well informed persons that a majority of both the House and the Senate are in favor of the bill, but the trouble lies in the fact that those who control the legislation that gets before Congress are opposed to it. It is only theoretically that a majority controls in Congress. Practically it is less than a dozen men that control its every action, by deciding what legislation shall be considered.

POSTMASTER GENERAL WANA-MAKER'S annual report shows: The gross revenue was \$3,000,000 larger than ever before. Nearly 5,000 new postoffices have been established. Star route mileage has increased 5,000 miles. Railroad mileage, 11,000 miles. Number of pieces of matter sent to the dead letter office has been decreased 2,000,000. Postal telegraph, postal money orders and postal savings banks are recommended. The profits of the foreign mail service during the year was \$2,000. One cent postage is recommended.

SENATOR STAFFORD made a speech in the Senate in favor of his bill for loaning Government money on farm mortgages at 2 per cent per annum, in which he certainly made some strong points in favor of the measure, which has been referred to the finance committee. This committee should act upon this bill and the Senate should vote upon it. It is not fair to kill it by pigeon-holding, just because it happens to be a financial measure. Everything has to have a beginning, and this would be a mighty slow old world if something new wasn't started occasionally.

EVERYBODY seems to think that journalists lie continually—some of them do—on beds of roses. Senator Evans, who one would suppose had been successful enough to satisfy the ambitious cravings of any ordinary man, says that if he had his life to go over again, he would become a journalist. There are a good many journalists who, if they had a chance to begin again, would prefer becoming almost anything else. The moral of this is to stick to what you are at, and do the very best you can, letting the future take care of itself, a thing it has the habit of doing, whether you try to prevent it or not.

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A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

What shall you do in the year that is new, Little maid?
What shall you make it a happy new year to you, Little maid?
What shall you keep your heart full of sunshine, dear, Though skies be cloudy and days be drear? Shall you help the mother and lighten her care?
Be ready in duties to take your share? Shall you try to make little ones happy and gay?
Be cheery and hopeful when others are sad? Shall you aim to have life hold a little less pain?
For those whom sickness or want enchain? Shall you strive to be gentle, brave and sweet,
And to follow the Master with willing feet, Little maid?

If this you do in the year that is new, 'Twill be truly a happy new year to you, Little maid.
—Emma C. Dowd, in Our Youth.

BESSIE'S CALLERS.

They Gladdened a Little Sick Girl's Heart When All Else Had Failed.
"Happy New Year, Bessie darling," Mamma came into the room and kissed her little girl. Bessie gave back the kiss, but at still, looking very mournful indeed.
"I wish you a New Year's Day!" Yes, it seemed a strange thing to tell of a little girl in a pleasant room, with the New Year's sun shining brightly into it. But when I tell you how it was perhaps you will not wonder.
She was just getting over the scarlet fever. She was feeling quite well, but was not yet allowed to go out of the one room.
This was bad enough, she thought, but it was not the worst of it. All the little girls and boys she knew were going to call on her, and she was not to see them.
"Happy Day," they had talked about it, and settled it just before she was taken sick. Their mothers all said they might, and had promised to let them have some nice things to eat.
And now, you see, as poor Bessie had had the scarlet fever, she was not only obliged to stay in the house, but none of the other children could come to see her for fear they might take it.
"It's so dreadfully lonely," said Bessie, looking out of the window with a very doleful face.
Mamma talked to her, and told her stories, but after awhile she grew tired of them.
"I wonder where Pussy is," she said. "She used to stay with me and play with me; but now she stays away somewhere all the time."
"So she does," said mamma. "She just comes at meal-time and gets her drink of milk, and then she goes away."
"I wish Rosa would go and find her for me."
"Till go, too," said mamma. "Perhaps she is out in the barn watching for mice."
Mamma went and was gone a long time. Bessie got very tired of waiting. Some of the children who were going calling went by.
They waved their hands to her, and she felt more doleful than ever because she could not go too.
"And I can't have one single call, either," she said, with tears in her eyes. Just then mamma came in with a very bright smile on her face.
"Bessie," she said, "you are going to have some calls, after all."
Bessie jumped up and down exclaiming: "O mamma! Who?"
"Mrs. Tabbyskins is bringing her three children to see you."
"Oh—Papa! I have somebody I know," said Bessie, who had never heard of Mrs. Tabbyskins before. "But I'll say, 'Happy New Year,' the moment you open the door. That's the way they all do."
"Here they are," said mamma. She opened the door, and Bessie cried: "Happy New Year!" Her callers were very polite, for they answered her at once.
"Me-e-e-e-e!"
"Me-e-e-e-e!"
"Me-e-e-e-e!"
Bessie gave a scream of delight. In walked Madam Puss with three little kittens.
"Kittens!" exclaimed Bessie. "Tiny, soft, fuzzy kittens. Oh, you darling little things! Where did you find them, mamma?"
"Nora found them in the hayloft," said mamma. "We had quite a hunt for them."
"A gray one, and a spotted black-and-white, and this dear little white one," "No wonder Pussy stayed away with these cunning babies to take care of," said mamma.
"No, indeed," said Bessie. "It was to take care of these cunning little dears. But you must stay with me now, Pussy, and I'll help you with your babies."
She made up her doll's bed for them. She gave them a ride in her doll's carriage. She tucked them in, and tussled them to sleep; and it is pleasant to be able to say that Mrs. Tabbyskins was so well contented with her new quarters that she forgot she was making a New Year's call, and stayed all day.
And when evening came Bessie said her mamma:
"I think I've had the nicest New Year calls in the world!"—Youth's Companion.

After the "recess" was over, and the dolls were again in their seats, all sat quietly for a few moments and then got up and went to her mother, saying: "The school is school, and the party was recess, I guess!"
Uncle Ned thought she deserved a box of candy for thinking it out by herself, so he bought her one. She was quite old enough for school, and then she will understand these things better.—Edna Sawyer Warren, in American Agriculturist.

FROM YOUTHFUL MINDS.

"Hello, Johannes! How do you like living in a flat?" "Pretty well. I miss the banisters, though,"—Harper's Young People.
—School Boy—"I want a racer." Stationary Dealer—"Racer?" School Boy—"Yes, one of them rubber things to rub mistakes out of your 'dore th' teacher sees 'em."—N. Y. Globe News.
—One night in August Jennie noticed for the first time the noise of the insect world. She suddenly turned to her father, saying: "Papa, I never knew the stars sang before."—Youth's Companion.
—Tommy—"Mamma, will it be wrong if I make a kite to-day?" Mrs. Peterson—"Yes, my child; to-day is Sunday."
Tommy—"Well, 'spos I make it out of the Christian Advocate, will it be a sin then?"—Texas Siftings.
—A couple of twin boys were taken into their mamma's room the other day upon their new toy, a tin wind-up. They were very earnest for a time, and then inquired, with one voice: "Mamma, where is the other one?"—Boston Advertiser.
—Rita was riding one day on a very crooked road, and was winding and crookeding up hill and down dale in an eccentric fashion of its own. At last little Rita folded her small hands, with great resignation, saying: "Well, I never did saw such a curly road."
—Courier-Journal.
—Mother—"What makes you cry that way?" Johnnie—"Our poor teacher has been sick so long, and—and—" "What did he die?" "No—he is getting well—boo-hoo."—Texas Siftings.
—And now, children, remarked Prof. Hallies, in one of his board-schools the other day, "one of the family consisting of father and mother and seven children should have a pie for dinner, how much would each one receive?" "An eighth part," answered a bright boy. "But there are nine persons, you must remember." "Oh, yes, I know that, but the mother wouldn't get any. There wouldn't be enough to go around."—Spare Moments.
—A little girl was sent by her mother to the grocery by way of a cake of castle soap. When she got there she couldn't remember the name. "Is it glycerine or cast-meal soap?" suggested the grocer. Grace shook her head. Then she brightened up like a flash. "Now, I know!" she exclaimed, triumphantly: "I want cast-iron soap!"—Youth's Companion.

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ISSIE'S FIRST PARTY.

A Little Girl Who Thought She Must be Quiet Like She Was at School.
Issie's mamma was busy about dinner one day when Cousin Stella ran in and

asked if Issie could go to school with her that afternoon. "Marion Palmer is going to take her company, and I want to take some one," Stella said. Mamma was afraid Issie would make a disturbance, but Stella told her they had played school, and Issie did not whisper then. So at last mamma allowed her to go, after taking great pains to make her understand that she must not whisper or speak out loud. Issie remembered and obeyed, and won much praise for her good behavior.
A day or two later Issie was invited to a party, and although she knew nothing about one she thought it must be nice, and she chattered about it nearly all the time until the day arrived. Uncle Ned asked the privilege of taking her, as he wanted to see her enjoy it.
At last she started, and then we began to wish her back to tell us about it. Finally, we saw her coming with Uncle Ned, who had a queer, puzzled look on his face. Mamma went to the gate, and Issie gave a jump into her arms, crying out: "I was a good girl, mamma, better than some of them, for I never whispered once, nor talked out loud!"
Then Uncle Ned sat down on the doorstep and laughed. When he could get his breath he said: "Well, I'm glad I know what's the matter, for that child hasn't opened her mouth to say a word all the afternoon!"
Mamma did considerable explaining to school and party, but it was not clear to her then.
A little later she went to school again with Stella. The next morning all her dolls were trained at school, and of a sudden there came such a horrible noise from her corner that mamma was frightened, and ran to see what could be the trouble. There was Issie throwing the calendar in an artificial, screaming and screaming at the top of her voice.
"Why, Issie, what are you screaming so for?" mamma asked. "It's the recess noise, mamma, like they have at school!"
After the "recess" was over, and the dolls were again in their seats, all sat quietly for a few moments and then got up and went to her mother, saying: "The school is school, and the party was recess, I guess!"
Uncle Ned thought she deserved a box of candy for thinking it out by herself, so he bought her one. She was quite old enough for school, and then she will understand these things better.—Edna Sawyer Warren, in American Agriculturist.

THE NEW YEAR.
A year untired before me lies,
What shall it bring of strange surprise?
Joy, or grief, I cannot tell;
But God will surely send me well.
I make it no concern of mine,
To leave it all with Love Divine.
Be sickness mine, or rugged health,
Some comfort to my soul be sent;
Though loneliness I must pass along,
Or loving friends my way may throng;
Upon my Father, I will rest,
Whatever shall be, shall be best.
No ill can come but He can cure,
His Word doth all of good insure;
He'll see me through the journey's length,
For daily need give daily strength.
'Tis thus I fortify my heart,
And thus do fear and dread depart.

The San may shed no light by day,
Nor stars at night illumine my way;
My compass I cannot find,
Since God is all my Life and Light.
Though all the earthly lamps grow dim,
He walks in light who walks with Him.
O Year untired, thou hast for me
Nought but my Father's eye can see;
Nor canst thou bring me loss or gain,
Nor comfort to my soul be sent;
But welcome messenger art thou,
From Him whose name is Love.
—H. M. Offord, in N. Y. Observer

A MARKING OF TIME.

The Beginning of a New Year is a Time of sober Thought.
Does this phrase, a new year, designate anything more than a device by which we deceive ourselves? It is indisputable that the present division of time is purely an arbitrary arrangement. The Jewish year does not coincide with the Christian. The Christian year would be as much a year if it began in midsummer, instead of midwinter. The seasons are a fixed, natural order; the calendar is an artificial, arbitrary arrangement. In one sense, a new year begins every day. Every moment is a point of departure, if you are pleased to regard it so.

None the less, the construction of a calendar is inevitable, and as wise as necessary. Man is a son of Time. The conception of time as subject to division, and of his own share of time as matter of limitation, may be called birth-marks of his mind. Similarly, the sense of time as profectory to an immeasurable future, is a woman with the very constitution of the human spirit. The vague apprehensions of "fallings from us, vanishing," resolved by poet and philosopher into an evidence of pre-existence, are not universal, necessary and well-defined elements of man's conscious life as are his aspirations toward an endless future, and his anticipations of its solemn realities. The former shade off into an obscure and uncertain region where no light falls upon them from a Divine revelation; the latter grow with our growth, strengthen themselves amid the disappointments of our present experience, and are certified by His word who "brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel."

They, then, to whom the beginning of a new year is a time of self-searching and sober thought are wise according to the wisdom of God. "So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom," was the prayer of a man already partaker of the boon he craved. It is a prayer that God still delights to answer. He who arranged the division of light from darkness into day and night; He who set the seasons for signs so well pleased in those who miss no opportunity to improve themselves; the transiency of human life, and its solemnity, as the prelude to the life beyond death. "The life indeed" is more firmly grasped and more richly realized by him, to whom the close of one year and the opening of another is a season of serious thought, than by him to whom all seasons come alike, so indifferent is he to their order, or their change.

Not is there any arrangement that carries with it a more practical impartation of God's mercy to man than this sense of time and the necessity for its notation. The emphasis thus put upon the possibility of a new start is a most gracious token of Divine love and goodness. To be permitted to "forget the things that are behind," as behind, is one of the most helpful incentives to "reach forth unto the things that are before." The very fact that our sense of the year is inevitable, proclaims our Father as "the God of Hope," to whom it is a pleasure to have His children hopeful. The coming of the New Year, with the assurance that within and behind it is the love of Him who inhabits eternity. The dawning of His first day is the expression of His desire that all our years may be both new and blessed.—Christian Inquirer.

THE QUEEN OF BEAUTY.

A Time When the Plainest of Wives Are the Most Beautiful of Women.
There is a time when the plainest wife is a queen of beauty to her husband. She has done the best she can. She has reared her children for God and Heaven, and though some of them may be a little wild they will yet come back, for God has promised. She is dying, and her husband stands by. They think over all the years of their companionship—the wedding and the burials of the young and the old, the successes and the failures. They talk over the goodness of God and His faithfulness to children and children's children. She has no fear about going. The Lord has sustained her so many years, she would not dare to distrust Him now. The lips of both of them tremble as they say goodbye and encourage each other about an

Early meeting in a better world. The breath is feeble and feeble, and stops. Are you sure of it? Just hold that mirror at the mouth and see if there is any vapor gathering on the surface. Gaze! As one of the neighbors takes the old man by the arm gently and says: "Come, you had better go into the next room and rest," he says: "Wait a moment; I must take one more look at that face and at those hands. Beautiful! Beautiful!"—Talmage, in N. Y. Observer.

GIVE QUICKLY.

An Old Maxim That Applies Nicely in Many Cases.
"He gives twice who gives quickly," is not only a sound rule of benevolence, but a most true and vital principle with regard to a great many other things besides the giving of money. Sympathy, promptly expressed, soothes and comforts an aching heart; it does little good if it waits to utter itself until the first need is passed. Pleasant words spoken at the right moment will often bring back the sunshine to spirits clouded by anger or impatience; they are of small avail unless they meet the crisis when it arises. "In the day when I cried, Thou answeredst me," was the grateful Psalmist's acknowledgment of God's "very present" help. We should aim at a similar readiness in doing what we can for the happiness of those about us.

Swift kindnesses are best; a long delay in kindness takes the kindness all away. More than that, opportunities for being kind to people are lost if they are not at once improved. A woman who was not merely good, but wise, once wrote in her journal: "I expect to pass through this world but once. Any good thing, therefore, that I can do, or any kindness that I can show to my fellow-creature, let me do it now. Let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again."—N. Y. Examiner.

Some Good Rules.
The following rules for the guidance of life are by the celebrated Mrs. Fry: 1. Never lose any time. I do not consider that lost which is spent in amusement or recreation every day; but always be in the habit of being employed. 2. Never eat the least in her journal: "I expect to pass through this world but once. Any good thing, therefore, that I can do, or any kindness that I can show to my fellow-creature, let me do it now. Let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again."—N. Y. Examiner.

Without Their Aid.
John L. Sullivan's friend, the Marquis of Queensberry, is opposed to Christianity because it is done so little for the poor. It is in order at the present moment to ask the noble lord if "reverent agnosticism" has built hospitals, asylums, houses of refuge, homes for the erring and friendless, ragged schools and charitable mission houses? Whatever active charity is in the world at present is the result of Christian effort. Agnosticism, men of once, infidels and atheists may have contributed, but their help—compared with the religious efforts—has been a single drop in a mighty ocean. There is not a single charity in America that owes its existence to reverent agnosticism.—Chicago Journal.

When to March Forward.
As it is better to go forward than to retreat in a right cause, so it is better to retreat than to go forward in a wrong cause. And yet there is a false sentiment in the minds of men that there is virtue in pressing forward, in and of itself. "I'm for it now, and I'll go through with it," is often said with certain air of heroism. But it is better, says Ruskin, "not to prefer mean victory to honorable defeat; not to lower the level of our aim, that we may the more surely enjoy the complacency of success."—S. S. Times.

GEMS OF THOUGHT.

—To-day's possibilities will be gone to-morrow.—Pittsburgh Advocate.
—Let us be kind to each other here on earth; it will save us so much confusion when we meet in Heaven.—Uncle Esau.
—The Sabbath is a blessing to the world, physically, mentally and spiritually. How thankful we ought to be for it, and how religiously we should regard it. Just think, what if we had no rest!—Chicago Standard.
—A golden harp will be a fitting instrument with which to glorify God; but a consecrated heart can make a broom, or a plow, or a pen praise Him. We need not wait for Heavenly things before we begin our song.—United Presbyterian.

—A man can no more be a Christian without feeling evil and conquering it than he can be a soldier without going to battle, facing the cannon's mouth, and encountering the enemy in the field.—Chapin.
—Suffering for Christ and great consolations by Christ were largely blended in the experience of the Apostles and many of the early Christians. Their trials were many and severe, and their spiritual joys were many and great. The exigencies of our earthly life often constitute the occasion in which God conveys to the soul the richest blessings, so that more is gained than is lost by suffering. Suffering is not always the evil that to our sensibilities it seems to be.—N. Y. Independent.

PRODIGIOUS FADS.

Fashionable Fads Which Have Started Important Collections.
It is only a fad; its duration is short. To be sure, many fads are very ridiculous, but they are not all deserving of the wholesale decision heaped upon them by lofty-minded individuals who are above the ranks of so-called fashionable society. A fad has been the starting point of a many most interesting collections, many charitable enterprises and not a few inventions. Fads inspire designers and manufacturers with original ideas which give employment to many and make the holiday counters intensely interesting. It was the fad of collecting small pieces of silver, especially spoons, which has resulted in a great variety of unique and quaintly-ornamented specimens. More than one woman of gentle birth and good taste owes her fine collection of teaspoons to one of these so-called silly fads, which started a year or so ago. Mrs. Noble, wife of the Secretary of the Interior, improves every opportunity to enlarge her already rich choice collection. She has teaspoons in gold, silver and enamel, old fashioned and new fashioned, in antique design and foreign workmanship, and, when cards are out for one of her five o'clock teas, not the least interesting and pleasing feature is the gratification of woman's curiosity as to these same silver spoons. One of her most valuable spoons was secured from an old church in Nuremberg, which is quite as ugly as some of the most beautiful. The spoons have relief on the handle shows John the Baptist pouring water from his haloed hands over the head of his Master, the Holy Spirit descending above them in the form of a dove. Munich, Dresden, Antwerp and many other old-fashioned localities have each contributed to her supply.

Old's fad extends to luxurious belongings of every description, paintings, statuary, heavy pieces of carved furniture and bric a brac, but more essential than all these are her exotics, which crowd the boudoir where she receives her friends, which is never lighted, except by two wax candles with butterfly shades. Her Florentine palace, with its gorgeous vista of rooms, perfumed with faint odors and filled with every kind of luxury, is quite in keeping with the castles of her imagination.

Lotta, too, has a fad, but it is none of these things. She is rated as the richest single woman in the world who has earned her money by her own efforts. She takes delight in the acquisition of property, which has led to a collection of hotels, apartment houses, Washington, Chicago and Long Branch estates, besides stocks and bonds. Her mother, who takes care of her property, sees that her earnings are invested as soon as received.

Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, whose husband's fortune is estimated at over \$100,000,000, is described as a most practical woman, bringing up her daughters to simple habits and encouraging them to wait on themselves. She herself keeps a set of books in which every cent expended is accounted for. She visits the St. Luke's Hospital very often, the inmates of which are said to know her better than the habitation of Fifth avenue. A great deal of money which many others in her place would spend in fast living is given to the poor—Brooklyn Eagle.

The Sea Aster.
At a downtown fish market the other day was seen a curious sight. It was a monster crab with a splendid specimen of the sea aster attached to its back. Thus wedded they were caught in a net near the Highbridge and brought to this city. It is not often that a crab of this kind is made, for the sea aster, when he finds himself in difficulties, is apt to suddenly release his hold and slip away. Why he neglected to do so in this case is unexplained. For the benefit of younger readers it may be well to state that the sea aster is frequently found off the coast of New Jersey. In shape it resembles a small tufted sheaf of wheat, the tuft itself suggesting the idea of the familiar flower from which it takes its name. Generally its color is a dingy white, but occasionally a specimen is found that is a bright yellow in complexion. It is always striped and spotted in brown. Its tuft is composed of feathery tentacles of pink like hue. By means of numerous powerful "suckers" it firmly affixes itself to the back of some shelled crab or lobster, and is conveyed to haunts of those crustaceans, upon whose food it revels. Of course, it is a most unwelcome guest and passenger, but the crab or lobster can not shake it off until it chooses to relax its hold.—N. Y. Herald.

—According to the English papers, a singular experiment recently took place in Palestine to test the accuracy of Dr. Colenso's statement that the people of Israel assembled in the valley between Mount Ebal and Mount Gerizim could not hear the curses and blessings delivered from the heights above them. A party, it appears, was traveling in the neighborhood of these mountains, and two Scotchmen, Mount Gerizim, and the rest of the party remained in the valley. One of the Scotchmen read the curses, and from the opposite mountain a Welshman read the blessings. Both were seen by a band below, where the party added the Amen. Both readers were perched upon natural platforms near the summit.

SUPPLEMENT

MEREDOSIA -- NEWS.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1, 1901.

AN OLD-TIME STATESMAN.

Pea Portrait of One of the Colleagues of Clay, Webster and Calhoun.

The Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Evening Telegraph writes: "Nearly every day, when the session begins, an old man, grout and gray, is seen strolling about through the House slowly from desk to desk, and in and out of the cloak-rooms. A batch of white hair imperfectly covers his head, and scant white whiskers sprout over his hollow cheeks. He is straight as an arrow. His long neck is incased in an old-fashioned standing collar and stock, and his figure seems taller than it could be proved by measurement, on account of his extreme thinness. Now and then he runs his bony fingers through his hair and looks about him in a vague, bewildered sort of way. The scene is familiar to him, yet the faces all about are strange, and he walks down the center aisle looking from side to side, like a shade from the past. He is the relic of a former generation of statesmen appearing now as a resurrection to look upon the scenes once familiar to him, and watching the actions of a new generation. No look of recognition greets him, and he lags superfluous, linking the present with a past decade. He spends all day in the House or in the Senate watching the proceedings with a curious and critical interest.

"The old man is a statesman and orator of the time before the war. It is Clingman, a colleague of Webster, Clay, Calhoun and all the old-time statesmen whom we love to honor. He used to have his seat in the old Hall of Representatives, now occupied by stone images; he sat on the arm of Clay's chair, with his hand resting on the great Kentuckian's shoulder, while listening to the eloquent Webster's famous speech on the 7th of March. He marched into the old Hall of Representatives by the side of President Jackson to hear Adams deliver his eulogy on Lafayette. His voice has sounded among the arches where still lingered the eloquence of Clay. He has not been in Congress since the war, at the outbreak of which he was expelled for joining the Confederacy. He is now wandering among the scenes of his public career, and getting the satisfaction of old age at all the recollections revived by sitting in the seats once occupied by him and his colleagues, and by comparing the statesmen of to-day with those of his own time. The expression that comes across his face from time to time as he watches the disorderly proceedings of the House, seems to indicate that the present Congress suffers by the comparison."

HE WAS CONSERVATIVE.

Why the Lank Individual Professed Not to be Sure of Any Thing.

"Fine day," said the lank party, after taking a leisurely survey of the sky.

"If the wind keeps blowing in this direction for twenty-four hours longer there will be rain," ventured the first speaker.

"Um—I'm not so sure about that," said the other, cautiously.

"The wind, at least, is dead south now."

"Um—perhaps."

"It certainly isn't north."

The lank individual pursed up his lips as if about to whistle, looked at the sky again, shook his head slowly, and said:

"I'm not so blessed certain it isn't."

"At any rate, sir, it isn't raining now, is it? Hey?"

Another careful examination of the firmament and the cautious remark:

"It may be raining and it may not. You can't always tell about these things."

"Great Jehoshaphat! Can't you see there isn't a cloud in the sky?"

"Um—likely enough. Likely enough. It may appear that way to some folks. But it's best not to be too sure."

"May appear that way? Why, good gracious, man! Haven't you got any eyes?"

"May be I have and may be I haven't," retorted the attenuated individual, passing his hand over his face as if to find out.

"All I know is that there's nothing certain in this world. You think there's a fair-ground out at the end of this street, perhaps?"

"I certainly do."

"Just so. I was certain of it yesterday myself. I was certain there was a man out there with two or three walnut shells he was moving about on the head of a barrel. I was certain I could tell which shell the little black ball was under. I was just as certain of it as you are that it isn't raining. It cost me every damned cent I had to find out that I didn't know any thing about it. I am not going to be sure of any thing again as long as I live."

He took a plug of tobacco from his pocket, looked at it as if he was not sure whether it was tobacco or not, put it back in his pocket, sighed a long, heavy, dismal sigh, and looked straight through the other man into the far-off depths of space.—Chicago Tribune.

HOUSEHOLD BREVITIES.

—A good rule is to use pastry flour whenever baking-powder is used, and bread flour with yeast.

—Breakfast-cocoa may be used in cooking in the place of chocolate; it gives as good results at less cost.

—It is recommended to mix stove blacking with spirits of turpentine, as it will then take off the rust, polish more easily and keep glossy longer than when water is used.

—Apple Snow.—Bake six good apples, take out the pulp, and when cold beat it thoroughly with the whites of three eggs, and sugar enough to stiffen a little; serve with a boiled custard for a sauce.—Boston Budget.

—For the instant destruction of roaches, stir into a half-pint of hot paste a dime's worth of phosphorus, adding when cool, a quarter the bulk of grease. This should be placed where they frequent, and they will die while eating it.

—To Preserve Pineapple.—Remove all the skin and eyes, cut in pieces from the core and chop rather fine. Allow three-quarters of a pound of sugar to each pound of pineapple, mix the sugar and pineapple well together, and let it remain overnight. In the morning pour off the sirup and let it boil fifteen minutes; then add the fruit, and cook until transparent. Put in air-tight jars and keep in a cool place.—Boston Herald.

—Coffee is far more delicious when made with eggs than it is without. One egg to a teacupful of ground coffee is about the right proportion for a rich extract, but less than this can be easily used by adding a teacupful of cold water to a well-beaten egg, and using enough of this mixture to thoroughly wet the coffee. Beat an egg well, add two tablespoonfuls of cold milk; pour this mixture into a pint of boiling milk, let scald but not boil. Try this when you have no cream for breakfast coffee.

—Veal Soup.—Wash the knuckle, put it into a saucepan with three pints of cold water and a level tablespoonful of salt. Simmer for one hour and a half. Then remove the knuckle, cut off all the meat and put it aside. Restore the bones to the kettle. Add to the broth two or three sprigs of parsley, quarter of a teaspoonful of pepper and the same of celery salt. Stir either one rounded teaspoonful of cornstarch or two of flour into a cupful of sweet milk, add this and half a gill of granulated tapioca, or rice. Let the soup boil slowly for one hour and a half longer, making three hours in all. Remove the bones before serving.—Good Housekeeping.

WHERE STYLES ORIGINATE.

The Real Dress Designer Are Very Often Obscure Artists.

"Do you know how the great modistes get their new ideas?" said a prominent buyer recently in a talk about gowns. "No! Well, let me tell you that not one-half the charming creations attributed to Worth, Redfern and all the rest of them have ever been designed by those famous fashion leaders. What they do is to buy the ideas of obscure women who have no chance to introduce them as their own. This is how it is done. Some small dress maker or milliner who has no money or fashionable trade tries to eke out a living in an out-of-the-way locality in Paris, perhaps. She has artistic ideas.

"In fancy she sees some exquisite creation of silk and lace that would grace the beauty of a Cleopatra, but the queen of hearts does not come her way, and how from her humble store shall she bring into being that vision of her mind? It may be a new design for a hat that comes to her, but how shall she offer it to the world? What grande dame will give an order to the poor little worker in a back street? Without money, without a great name among fashionable folk, without customers for such fine things, what can she do? This she can do—she can sell her artistic dreams to some one who is able to introduce them as styles.

"Forthwith she sets out to call upon Mme. —, we will say, whose reputation is as you know, wonderful. The unknown artist explains her ideas to the famous modiste; perhaps she shows some little model of her design, contrived with the poor bits she could muster. 'A good idea,' muses madame. 'How beautiful that would look on the Princess, and in golden crepe how like a dream would any lovely blonde appear! Oh, yes; that is a good idea.' Madame accepts the design, chooses the material of which it shall be made, the color, etc., and gives her order for the costume, or whatever it may be. When it is made it is brought to Mme. —'s establishment, where it is displayed as one of her new 'creations.' The real artist is paid perhaps three times the value of the making, and must be content with that. The house that brings it out will probably send a copy of the design to every other store of consequence in the world, and may make a fortune out of this one style.

"Women rave over Worth's dresses as if all that comes from his place was better than any thing else. They pay extravagant prices for his 'ideas,' but what they often get is the creation of some unknown artist whom they would never condescend to notice. As for Worth himself, he has hardly been inside his establishment for fifteen years. This I know to be a fact, for I am well acquainted with all of those artists and know just how they manage these things. Pingat, I must say, is an exception to the rule. He works hard, and is himself a practical designer."—Chicago Tribune.

MEREDOSIA TO THE FRONT.

If we stop to think for a moment we find that we dwell in a place filled with romance and of many historic events, hence its name, of which all of our old settlers are well acquainted. But perhaps one of the most important, and one that has caused the greatest upheaval in the minds of the people, is one of recent date, which was worked out and brought forward by the undersigned. A careful observation of the plan on which Watches are constructed led him to believe that there could be great improvements as to their time-keeping qualities, and this is accomplished by subjecting them to what he terms a choke bored process. Who ever heard tell of a choke bored Watch? HOW YOU MAY KNOW IF YOUR WATCH SHOULD BE CHOKE BORED. If a Watch moves its hands about precipitously and in a manner on which you cannot rely as to the correctness of the time, it is a sure sign that it should be choke bored. N. HARRIS is the proper one to consult. He is the inventor and sole operator in this new branch of art and the people of this vicinity are daily receiving the benefit of this new discovery. Call at his office and make inquiries concerning this new industry and get his prices on same. A Watch that has been choked properly will drive center at the right time every time, some times.

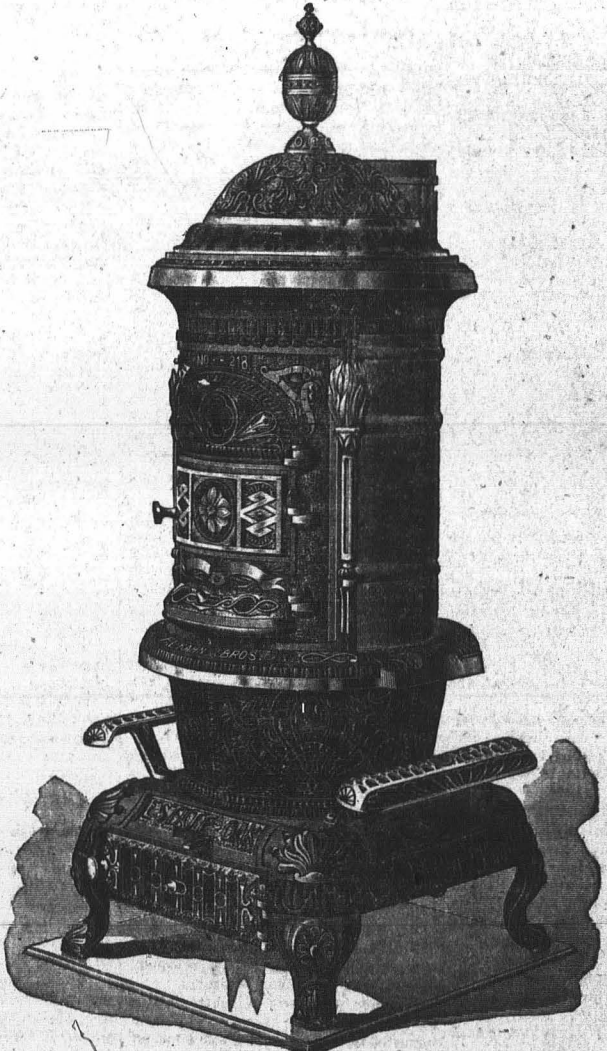
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We keep a full and complete line of the choicest

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On hand at all times which will be sold at

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NOTICE—The Publishers of this paper hold themselves responsible for any views that may be advanced by correspondents. To insure insertion communications must reach us not later than Tuesday noon. Correspondence solicited.

From Naples.

Miss Eva Elvidge is visiting friends in Chambersburg.

Chas. Green and Wm. Binge left last week for Portland, Oregon.

Miss Minnie Kinison is spending the holidays with Miss Nelms, at Bath.

Carrie Grable, little daughter of S. S. Grable, is quite sick with lung fever.

Miss Addie Hale, of Jacksonville, spent a day or two with her mother last week.

Mr. Keefe, from the southern part of the state, is visiting his cousin, Geo. Quinlan.

Mrs. Scarborough, daughter of Rev. Wolf, with her husband, is visiting her father and mother.

Miss Alice Digby returned from her home in Barry Monday morning and resumed her school duties.

Miss Puss Parker, of Baylis, and Miss Connie Linkins, are visiting Miss Mattie Hardwick near Merritt.

Frank Harper, of Kansas City, is visiting his father's family. Mrs. Cadwell, daughter of Mr. Harper, with her husband is also at the home.

A pyramid covered with presents gladdened the eyes of the children at the Christmas S. S. Christmas Eve. The church was filled with an appreciative audience. The program was varied by recitations and music, which all enjoyed and every child and some of the older ones received a present reminding them of the kindness of friends and teachers.

Grandma Foshee met with a serious accident last week. A cow which was tied to a post in the yard became entangled in the rope and Mrs. Foshee went to get her horse, when by the struggles of the cow the post was pulled over, falling on the old lady's ankle. The ankle was dislocated and is very painful. Mrs. Foshee is eighty-seven years of age, but has been as active as most women of fifty. This accident will lay her up for some time.

A very interesting temperance meeting was held at the M. E. church last Sunday evening. The house was full and all enjoyed the exercises, as was evinced by the orderly conduct and earnest attention. The program was as follows:

Song.....Congregation.
Prayer.....Rev. Wolf.
Song.....Congregation.
Reading.....Grace Hatfield.
Reading.....Alice Robertson.
Song.....Congregation.
Reading.....Jessie Mauck.
Quartet.....Mrs. Quinlan,
Mrs. Higgins,
Rev. Wolf.

Reading.....Mrs. Quinlan.
Duet, Minnie Lee and Nellie Lindsay.
Song, "Rise Ye People, Rise," Children.
Collection and Benediction.

Our town was startled about noon last Saturday by the cry of fire. By some means unknown a fire started in the summer kitchen of Capt. Coppage and it was some time before the flames which were rapidly communicated to the main building, but by tearing away a room from the east side the fire was stayed and the greater part of the house saved. We have seen a great many fires, but never one where better work was done. Everything was moved out and so carefully that nothing of consequence was broken. A cupboard filled with dishes was carried out and in again without breaking a dish. In less than two hours after the fire three carpets were put down, furniture moved in, beds made, in short three rooms looked as though nothing had been moved. Captain loss most of his meat, all of his flour, and provision of all kinds, which had been laid in for the winter. He can ill afford the loss. There was some insurance on the house but none on furniture or provisions. This fire, as well as others which have occurred here, showed that the town should have a good set of hooks and ladders.

The Newspapers and the Public.

The popular estimate of the real object of a local paper is largely influenced by the traditional belief that it adds mightily to the reputation of the community for intelligence and respectability, and that the town paper is a time-honored institution which it is well to encourage, providing it can be done without cost. The conclusion is easily reached that a newspaper, even if of doubtful ability, should be allowed to pick up a precarious existence. All this should be changed, and there should be established a reciprocity between the newspaper and the public, based on strictly business principles. The newspaper publisher for ever dollar received should furnish a dollar's worth of his commodities, news or advertising space. On the other hand he has a right to demand and receive full compensation for his service in gathering and publishing the news of the town and for the value of all space given to advertising purposes. In short, like any other tradesman, he should conduct his paper as a business enterprise. Whatever of his time and means a publisher may feel inclined to dispense in charity and philanthropic effort he should do on the same basis and under the same conditions as the other citizen or tradesman, but his newspaper business should be conducted upon the same principles of fair exchange of commodities which regulate all business transactions.—Ex.

Additional Local.

—Horace Fugate is sick and has gone home to Berlin.

—Ky Long and wife of Valley City, were trading with our merchants on Tuesday.

—Henry Huntmeier, Casper Stalk, Mrs. Thomas and —Mann of Deardorff, attended the funeral here Tuesday.

—The band will meet at this office at 7:30 this evening and attend the wedding anniversary of Julius Edmondson and wife.

Bluffs Briefs.

(From our regular correspondent.)

Miss Maud Dinwiddie, of Kinderhook, visited friends in Bluffs during the holidays.

James Hamilton and Wallace Chapman started for St. Augustine, Florida Wednesday evening.

Thomas McSherry, of Nickerson, Kan., a former resident of Bluffs, is on an extended visit here.

John H. Pieper, of the Plano Blind Co., returned home on Wednesday to spend the holidays with his family.

We were pleased to see the smiling face of our old friend Frank Palmer, of the Standard, in town one day last week.

Hon. Harry Higbee, State Senator, of Pike county, was in Bluffs on Wednesday on legal business in the interest of the Wabash R. R.

The Farmers' Alliance organized at the house of Henry Herma, in this county, Dec. 22, with nineteen charter members. Also another one at Bluffs, Dec. 23, with 12 charter members.

The Christmas entertainment at the M. E. church in Bluffs on the evening of the 24th was a decided success. The ball at Lewis' opera house was well attended and was a grand success both socially and financially.

Quite a number from a distance visited our town on the 25th taking in the shooting match, among whom were Jas. A. Fish, Samuel Grammer, Webster Grammer, Wm. Hill, Ed Allen, Frank Lawson, Frank Weeks, Eugene Lawson and Ray Lawson all of Baylis, Tom Scott, of Chapin, and many others.

Died on Sunday evening, Dec. 18, at 10:30 p. m., of progressive enema, Mrs. Winnifred Boyd, of Bluffs, aged 46 years, 10 months and 14 days. Her maiden name was Winnifred Barrett, born in Galway, Ireland; emigrated to America in 1860; married Emerson Boyd, Aug. 14, 1866. She leaves a husband and one daughter, Tina, to mourn her loss. They have the sympathy of the community.

Some of the citizens of Bluffs and vicinity celebrated Christmas in the following manner:

In Justice Court, G. W. Merriss presiding.

Charles Taylor, insulting language, \$3.00 and cost.

Daniel Overstreet, assault, \$3.00 and trimmings.

Wm. Aldrich, intoxication, \$3.00 and extras.

James Masterson, disturbing the peace, \$3.00 and cost.

Charles Taylor, disturbing a public assembly, \$10.00 and trimmings.

Newspaper Change.

It is very much like a death in the family when one of the newspaper fraternity with whom we have exchanged for a quarter of a century or so gets down from the editorial tripod, chucking his pencil into the waste-basket, puts on his coat and walks out of the sanctum to return there no more. Such is the case with our long, tried friend, Charley Whitaker, of the Macomb Eagle, who has sold his paper to Messrs. Dugman & Leach, of that city, and with his son, for the present at least, abandons journalism. He was an able and fearless editor, a bold and ardent supporter of democratic men and measures, and we are pleased to know that he has secured a competence for the future wherever his lines may be cast. There remain now of our old fellows who have been in the newspaper business in this section for so many years, Bill Davidson, of Lewiston, J. M. Davidson and Judge Sharpe, of Carthage, S. Y. Thornton, of Canton, and Mart Brooks, of Mount Sterling. So far as we know all of these have the prospect of many years of usefulness yet before them, and when they do pass out will be entitled to receive the commendation so justly attaching to our friend Whitaker: "well done good and faithful servant."—Pike County Democrat.

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(NOVEMBER 16, 1893)
Trains leave JACKSONVILLE as follows:

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How is your new leaf looking?

How many times have you written 1890 since it was out of it?

OVER 100,000,000 cigars were imported into this country during the year of 1890.

THE next legislature of Kansas will have 115 farmers and but three lone-lawyers.

AN Iowa man has brought suit for \$20,000 for the loss of two fingers. What would such a man expect to get for a full hand?

FOR the information of sinners, we might state that the aged Mother Shipton set 91 as the in year which the world should end.

THE prize-giving schemes of an Elmirapaper seems to have got into trouble. There are ugly charges in connection with it.

THE coming legislature will have one preacher and one saloon keeper in it, but the patrons of the latter will largely exceed the following of the former among the members.

Is the "hello girl" to go. It is reported that Edison is now at work on a patent appliance which will make the girl in the telephone office a useless luxury.

THE "investigation" into the Sittin Bull murder matter seems to hang fire. These alleged "investigations" have a terrible dislike to active exercise. It's so apt to be injurious, you see.

THE Great Western Argentine railroad is about to try the experiment of burning crude petroleum in its engines. It has contracted with a Mendoza company to take 100,000 cubic meters of crude petroleum at \$12 a meter.

PEORIA Journal: Noah advertised the flood. He lived through it and the fellows who laughed at him were drowned. Ever since the advertiser has been getting along and those who don't advertise have been getting left.

You solemnly vowed on New Year's day, 1890, that you would quit smoking, drinking, swearing and all other bad habits, didn't you? Of course you did—everyone does. You have fallen from grace, haven't you? Of course you have—everyone does.

A PENNSYLVANIA editor has been elected to the legislature. He seems to have a sensible view of the responsibility of the situation, and says: "We shall endeavor to avoid the pitfalls of sin, and our constant prayer will be, 'Lord preserve us from the "Big Head," which is of all maladies the worst.'"

Additional Local.

—Wm. H. Wright, one of the oldest and most respected citizens, of Jacksonville, died very suddenly Monday morning of muscular rheumatism. Mr. Wright was born in Morgan county December 20th 1833, making him 58 years of age.

—The Virginia Gazette truthfully says: "Why fill a store with goods and then keep dark about it? It costs us money every day and every hour to carry a stock of goods. Let the public know what you have to sell. Interest the people—attract them—do not allow them to forget you and your crowded shelves. Turn on the lights, especially the brilliant, steady and far-reaching light of advertising."

—Talk about jaw-breakers. Here are some stunners. Becareful, girls, don't go at them with a rusher you may disfigure your face in the attempt to pronounce them. They are said to be the longest words in the English language at the present writing:

Siticonstitutionalist.
Philoprogenitiveness.
Honorificabilitudinit.
Incomprehensibleness.
Disproportionableness.
Vidcolicestrainist.
Proantionubstantionist.
Transubstantionableness.

—A fire at Mt. Sterling Friday night between 8 and 9 o'clock, destroyed four buildings. It started between two frame buildings on the south side of Main street, belonging to Alex. Baily, and could not be managed. Dr. Baxter's office, Mr. Kirkpatrick's marble works and Hodgson Bros' paint rooms were consumed. The next was Wash Brockman's sheet iron agricultural hall. The vehicles were removed and the building completely gutted. The insurance about covered the loss. This and the previous fire which started about the same place, (and each of them in a place where there had been no fire) are thought to be the work of some evil person.

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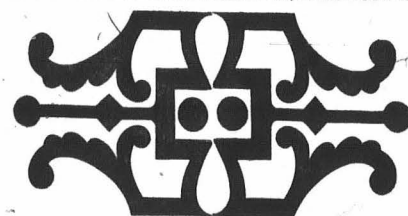
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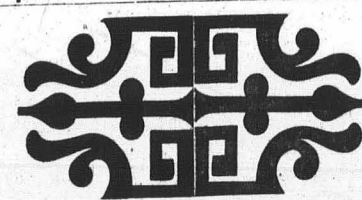
THE OLD RELIABLE.

**TIME AND TIDE**

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1891.

We welcome the New Year.
We meet the New year with a pleasant greeting.
We do not know what it has in store for us; but we hope that it may be a prosperous and a happy one. We cannot defy time. It waits for none. We build our houses and monuments with this end in view, but time at last destroys them. Now we find that even in the clothing we sell, Old Father Time gets the best of it. Nevertheless we sell the best of everything in this line, which we guarantee as represented. Watch for our ad. next week.

J. H. CARVER.

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The Meredosia News.

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When no time is specified, advertisements and local notices will be published until ordered discontinued.

MEREDOSIA AND VICINITY.

—Dr. Ray is improving.
—D. Watts Sundayed in Naples.
—John Vanderlip Sundayed in Bluffs.
—Royal Schroll is here visiting friends.
—Charlie Bowman is at home on a vacation.
—Dow Wrist, of Bluffs, spent Saturday here.
—Wm. Vandeventer, of Versailles was here Tuesday.
—Prof. G. M. Dabb, of Mt. Sterling, was here Monday.
—Mrs. Brackenbury spent Saturday and Sunday in Naples.
—Chas. Burrus, of Naples, was in this city one day last week.
—Minor Hale went to Bluffs to attend the ball New Years Eve.
—Mrs. White, of Bluffs, visited here one day last week with friends.
—J. C. Lewis, of Bluffs, was a guest at Dr. Ray's two days last week.
—Lewis Smith, of Concord, visited the fair ones of our city last week.
—A grand ball will be given at Lewis' opera House, Bluffs, Jan., 22.
—Jno. Burrus spent the holidays in Iowa, returning Wednesday evening.
—Lee Lumkin's little child died of measles, and was buried New Year's day.
—Born to Herman Lippard and wife, a baby boy. All parties concerned are doing well.
—Uncle Stafford Smith and wife have returned from a visit to friends in Griggsville.
—Lulu Moon has returned from Beardstown, where she has been spending the holidays.
—Geo. Jackson, of Griggsville, visited relatives and friends here Saturday and Sunday.
—Mr. Tash and Pat Kearns, of Naples, were looking up their friends here one day last week.
—Mrs. Jas. Boling, accompanied by Miss Mary Cody, was in Bluffs, Saturday, interviewing Dr. Carver in regard to her teeth.
—Bud Hale has resigned from the mail service, and Jas. Reed has taken the same. Four trips a day to the depot was too much for Bud.
—Joe Hauser, Pete Brackenbury, Al Waldo and Frank Heinz, under the formanship of Royal Moore, commenced painting the Pike Tuesday morning.
—Henry Geiss has accepted a position as traveling salesman for Bradt & Shipman, glove manufacturers, of DeKalb, Ill., and left for that place Sunday night.
—The Clayton Enterprise says: "A minister intoxicated with opium presented a scene at Meredosia the other day." You're off, Jim; you have been misinformed.
—If a woman was as careful in selecting a husband to match her disposition as she is in selecting a dress to match her complexion there would be fewer marriage troubles than there are.
—For gents' underwear go to the cash store of M. E. Geiss.
—Some people have trouble in sticking a postage stamp on an envelope. The best way, it is said, is to lick the envelope; if you don't succeed that way lick the stamp itself, and if that don't work, then—lick the postmaster.
—New raisins and currents at the cheap cash store of M. E. Geiss.
—At a meeting of the stockholders of the Farmer & Traders' Bank held the first of the month, the same board of directors' president and cashier was re-elected. The cashier, D. H. Lollis, showed a very satisfactory report to the stockholders.
—Are you a subscriber? If so look on the first page and see if there is a blue cross on your paper.
—Report of Unique School for the month ending Dec. 5 1890. Clyde McAllister and Hattie Hillig have been neither absent nor tardy. Millie Hillig, Carrie Finnigsmier and Henry Rolf have not been tardy. Millie Hillig, Henry Rolf, Emma Krenger, Katie Krenger and Wm. Strueter have each lost one day. Per cent of attendance 87. Department excellent.
—B. Robinson, Teacher.
I can save you money if you want to buy a sewing machine. Call and see me.
A. E. RITSCHER.

—Henry Bartfield, of Naples, was in this place Saturday.
—Oh, my! what a beautiful rain we had Wednesday night.
—Prof. Higgins, of Naples, was in our city last Tuesday.
—Mrs. Leslie is shopping in Jacksonville to-day (Wednesday).
—George Burrus, wife and babies spent last week in the country.
—Jim Boling is attending the bedside of his father, who is very sick.
—Frank Wilson has the measles, in fact, every one has them, at present.
—Dr. Thompson, of Jacksonville, was called here last week to attend Dr. Ray.
—We notice Hysinger & Graham of Carthage, are visiting his mother, Mrs. Ellen Hatfield.
—Henry Battey, of Bluffs, was in town Thursday. He is as lively a talker as ever.
—Henson Ravenscroft, of Versailles, was here Monday in the interest of a new wagon road.
—Mrs. Jno. Thomas, of Naples, visited her daughter, Mrs. Jno. Lawson, the past week.
—Mrs. Mitten Silbert, of Jacksonville, came down last Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mr. Jessie Lake.
—The Rev. G. B. Wolf filled his pulpit last Sunday morning and evening very acceptably to his congregation.
—The second quarterly meeting of this year will be held at the M. E. church three weeks from next Sunday.
—Bennie Dunn has returned from the hospital, at Springfield, where he has been for several days confined by rheumatism.
—Our Public School is giving good satisfaction under the efficient management of Prof. Decker and his corps of able teachers.
—Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hyde gave the young folks a party Tuesday evening which was greatly enjoyed by all who attended.
—Uncle Will Savage must be trying to make a mash on some one from the size of the button-hole bouquet he was wearing the other day.
—John Musch and family has moved to Virginia, Cass county. We are very sorry to have them leave our community. What we lose Cass county gains.
—There was a young boarder came to the home of Wm. Nunn and wife one day this week, he only weighing eleven pounds. They kindly took him in and will educate him.
—Our silver cornet band was out serenading last New Year's Eve. They played very fine selections. It was not any better than Glimore's playing, but it was enjoyed by the citizens whose artistic taste for music is first class.
—Some ungrateful thief who has no regard for the poor editor or his wife and children, went into our kitchen on Tuesday night and stole a nice ham of meat which we intended for a New Year's dinner. We do hope that when he gets to that place where they don't have fried ham that the fire may not scorch him too bad. This is awful to have to fall back on beef liver again.
—Versailles Enterprise.
—We learn that Mrs. Wm. Hauser and Miss Belle Boyd sat up until 12 o'clock last Wednesday night to ring the school bell. Unlike the Bell of Independence it was not cracked, by hard ringing. Did any one hear it at all? We didn't. Will Hauser says the rain was rather too much for them. By the way, Will, how did you happen to be at home so early on this particular evening? It is a kind of a mixed affair all around.
—We take the following from the Chillicothe (Mo.) Tribune of Dec. 24th: "W. D. Edmundson, who is now representing G. W. Chase & Co., of St. Joseph, manufacturers of fine confectionery, dealers in foreign and domestic fruits, cigars, nuts, etc., had his samples on exhibition yesterday at his old place of business, at the corner of Webster and Fin streets. Mr. Edmundson is well known through out this section of Missouri and his popularity with the people must prove a valuable adjunct to the business in which he is now engaged. While in business at Evansville and also in this city, he proved himself a man of business, building up a trade in a very short space of time that many envied. We are glad to note that the gentleman is still in the lead and that he will pass under the wire in the lead of all his competitors." The gentleman referred to is a son of Julius Edmundson of this place. We are glad to hear that W. D. is getting to the front.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

The Griggsville Independent Press is eleven years old.

The Salvation Army still besieges Satan in his stronghold of Macomb.

Spelling contests are just now the popular amusement at Beardstown.

In one day recently buyers at Colchester paid out nearly \$1,500 for poultry.

Abington has just paid \$750 to a citizen who broke his leg owing to defective sidewalk.

Ten million pressed brick have been manufactured at Galesburg by one company this year.

The Camp Point fair directors have ordered their premium lists printed for distribution in March.

Fred Fricke, a merchant at Coatsburg, gave an old man who stole something from his store, a public horse-whipping.

Mr. Sterling's sensation is spoiled. John Barry and Dollie Johnson, the eloping couple, have returned and deny the story.

Swearing above an ordinary conversational tone of voice will be prohibited in the Quincy electric street cars by special order of the council.

There is one gleam of hope in the agricultural sky. The grain rust, which is so dreaded by farmers, is said to have attacked the Canadian thistle.

George R. Wendling, the lecturer, has removed his family from Shelbyville to Washington D.C., and intends to become a permanent resident of Washington.

Frank Painter, the young man that shot and killed Tom Talman, at Walkerville, Greene Co., was pardoned by Gov. Fifer Wednesday of last week. The murderer was a lad of only 17 years of age when the crime was committed.

James D. Smith, a wealthy farmer living east of Jacksonville, brought to that city an enormous golden eagle which was killed on his place. It is the only one of the kind seen in this region for many years, and was a great curiosity.

There will be four eclipses this year, two of the sun and two of the moon. Two of the eclipses will be visible in the United States—an annular eclipse of the sun June 6, and a total eclipse of the moon Nov. 15. A transit of Mercury across the sun's disc will also occur May 6.

A subscription paper is being circulated to raise money to assist Eli Kirkbride in prosecuting the saloon keepers at Beardstown for selling liquor to his son, Ben., who while in an intoxicated condition on liquor, bought of them, was killed by the cars in that place some time since.

Four Hancock county "sports" are held under bonds of \$300 apiece, for grand jury investigation on the charge of conspiring to swindle a "sucker," from whom they won \$1,000 on a foot race, which it is strongly suspected was "thrown" by the runner on whom he staked his money.

Engineer Hoffman, of St. Joe, was born on Christmas. So was his wife. They were married on Christmas 22 years ago. His two living children were born on Christmas, and on last Christmas his daughter was married. He celebrated but remained sober under all that provocation.

The girls of Abington are above par when it comes to flirting. They draw the young men for miles around. As a result of their actions the mayor, one evening, sent the girls home under the escort of an officer. The boys were given their choice of the "lock up" or leaving town. They decided to leave, and the mayor accompanied nineteen to the depot.

The crew on the east bound Watash passenger train Wednesday morning report a collision on the Hannibal & St. Joe road. It seems that the engine on the passenger train had broken down and they had to stop near Chillicothe to repair it. A man was sent back to flag a freight train that was following them, but he didn't go far enough, for when he flagged the train it had approached too near the passenger train to come to a stop before striking it. The sleeper was wrecked and chair car badly damaged. Several people are reported injured.

A Kewanee man recently won a bet, a suit of clothes, by eating six pumpkin pies.

The Plainville Observer is one of the wonders of the world. It is a large, newsy, weekly paper of large circulation, and published in a town that only has one merchant.

A negro was captured early Thursday morning while coming from Clayton to Mounds, who was accused of stealing a revolver and a pair of gloves from the round house in Clayton. He was bound over.

There are new evidences every day that smoking is a dangerous habit. A LaFarge man was smoking a pipe one day last week when another man fell against him driving the pipe-stem into his tongue so far that it swelled until he had to live on soup for several days.

Dr. McMahon dissected from the side of Flo. Mock a needle which had been in her side for three years. It is not known how it became lodged there, it may have been swallowed and worked its way out, or been introduced in some other way. The child is doing well—Irring Times.

A chemist claims to have discovered a means of preserving all kinds of fabrics for an indefinite period. He says he can treat cloth with a solution made from birch bark, so that it will never wear out. What a blessing that will be to the editor who is able to buy a Sunday suit only once in ten years.

Phil Baier, a merchant at Nebo, confessed judgement in the county court last week in favor of two creditors and his stock was levied upon. He is now agent for the firms, and will pay them their money as soon as he can sell goods enough. The other creditors can whistle for their money.

A negro named Caroline Jenkins, living near Houston, Texas, is a veritable Samson. Four police officers went to arrest her, when she took them one by one, threw them out of the house and locked the doors upon them. She can break a half inch rope with ease by stretching it from hand to hand.

Marion Moxley, now serving a twenty-year sentence in the Missouri penitentiary for murdering his wife, in Charleston county, was twice tried, the first jury giving him thirty-three years and the second twenty years. The supreme court has just reversed the case. He will be tried again, and probably acquitted, because of the absence of testimony.

Ninety per cent of the real estate and nearly all of the chattels in Spink county South Dakota, are said to be mortgaged, and a man can not kill a hen for his sick wife without violating the law. Many families are leaving and others would go but are without means. Hundreds of families are without provisions, money or credit and there is likely to be much suffering.

When a lover of a Hannibal belle called on his sweetheart Sunday afternoon she invited him to stay to tea and eat some of her biscuits. The pantry was rather dark and she got hold of the sulphur instead of the baking powder can, when mixing them. The color, smell and taste of the biscuits suggested just one word and he used it as he spat the stuff from his mouth. Engagement off.

An Alton young man was married a few days ago and the boys in the neighborhood prepared to give the bride couple a charivari. They had their diabolical plans and paraphernalia ready for the occasion, when the gentleman got wind of the affair and posted a diphtheria sign on the house in which the ceremony was to take place. As a small boy scatterer, the sign operated more effectively than a shot gun, and no disturbance was raised there that night.

A citizen of Jacksonville, Fla., deposited 5,000 oranges in a public place last week and invited passers-by to help themselves to the fruit, only stipulating that the eater should quarter the oranges and place the peel in a barrel of alcohol standing near by. About four thousand oranges were thus disposed of to the satisfaction of the donor, who will ship the peellings to England to be used for medical purposes. It was a novel expedient for getting a good job done without expense.

Harry Gribble, of Macomb, was fined thirty dollars and costs last week for beating his wife. This financial loss will, in all probability, fall as heavily upon his unfortunate helpmate as upon himself. New Jersey, with her whipping post, has just the proper punishment for wife-beaters. "Oh, how brutal!" the over-nice exclaim, but it is no more so than to kill the man-eating tiger or crush the poisonous serpent. The animals are not responsible for their devilish actions while the wife-beater is responsible for his.

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Written for The News.
TRIALS OF THE WHITE HOUSE.
KITTEE R. CARVER.

Two little girls of our city were playing "Keep house; Come to see." Each having her home "neat the branches Of the low spreading crab-apple tree. They were making fashionable calls. Initiating the elite of our land. One as Mrs. President Harrison. The other Mrs. President Cleveland.

Their conversation however, Was not best becoming to names. To a dialogue after this fashion. We listened with quivering frames:— Said Mrs. Harrison, "I really must hurry— And make Benjamin a pie for his dinner. It takes so much brains to get the engraving done right. Believe for baby on my head's growin' thin."

"And then all the mails must be scowered. There's a sight of work to do here. The White House is in such a condition And I'm tired to death, now, oh, dear!" "I know how it is," says Mrs. Cleveland, "Frettingly giving a snuffle."

"Twas just the same way when we've been kept me and Grover on the jump all the while."

"That's just the one reason we left here. There's a sight of work to do here. After working the whole day to fix them. They was all out of place in a trice." Says Mrs. Harrison, "It does keep one busy. But Benjamin and I like it well. And I do not think we'll move very soon. About that of course I can't tell."

"You know I've my grandchild to care for, How I manage I'm sure I can't tell. Says Mrs. Cleveland, "I'd almost forgotten To inquire for baby McKee. I'm glad I've no children to bother. Then it takes such a sight for their clothes." Says Mrs. Harrison, "I cut down his Grandpa's And left all his stockings and hose."

"A good girl I surely must get me," "You'll need one," replied Mrs. C. "And if you give such parties as I did, Which were well as well could be. One has to cook so much for supper. When they're in it all the congress to eat. Congressmen are such ravenous eaters. Must be holler way down to their feet."

I should think they would all take warnin' I've heard Mr. Cleveland say often. He was afraid we'd be broke up smash If many times entertained them. Unless we'd half fill them on hash."

"Well, there's one comfort," Mrs. Benjamin retorted. "Tain't likely you'll live here again." "Perhaps not, we'll see," said Mrs. Grover. As she stifly rose and picked up her fan. But before she took her departure, She stated the reason she came. Was to borrow a pants pattern for Cleveland. She guessed their men measured the same.

From Naples. Allie Abrams is quite sick. Julia Higgins spent Sunday at home. The meetings continue at the M. E. church this week. Rev. Agee will preach at the Christian church next Sunday. Minnie Kinnison returned home last week from a visit with friends in Bath and Beulah Abrams from Macon.

Your correspondent received a present of a pair of rabbits for which thanks are due Mr. Nathan Sullens. Amicitia Lodge, I. O. O. F., was honored Monday night by visitors. Mr. Lewis, of Versailles, Mr. Hyde and Chapman, of Bluffs were in and gave us some good talks.

Wallace Chapman and James Hamilton started for Florida last week. If they like it they propose to buy it and ship it to their farms. Then, we'll all go out and eat oranges with Mr. Lee is being put up here by Chambers and others. It is obtained McKees creek and brought over by the ferry. By this morning, Tuesday, we have no doubt it can be had on this side as last night was very cold.

SHADOW OF A TRAGEDY.
A Wonderful Ghost Story that is Vouched for by Three Well-Known Citizens of Jacksonville.

Blood Stains that Nothing Would Remove—Terrible, Strange Sounds that Made their Blood Run Cold.

(From the Jacksonville Courier, Jan. 10th.)

Seven miles above Meredosia in a wild and sparsely settled region along the bottoms of the Illinois river there has stood for years a two story log hut, known as the German parsonage. The house and in fact all the surroundings as well, wear a strange, wild, and as the Scotch people would say, an uncanny appearance. Tall dead grass and sweet briar bushes have obliterated the path that once led up to the door, the roof of the old hut has sagged in the center until it would seem as if it must collapse at any moment, the little 6x8 window panes have been broken out and boards nailed over the openings, the small outbuildings have fallen into decay and in short the whole premises wear a ghastly appearance, and to add to the superstitious air of the surroundings there is an old cemetery not more than a stones throw from the door of the old rockery. It is years since anybody lived in the building, in fact nobody could be hired to live there. The place has the reputation of being haunted, and the country people for miles around avoid it as they would shun a pestilence. The story runs that several years since an intelligent young farmer sought the hand of a pretty, rosy cheeked maiden. To all appearances his love was reciprocated and the wedding day was set. But there came an end to this happy dream. One day he called at the home of his affianced one to find that she had gone to parts unknown—gone with another man! In a frenzied sort of way he hurried from the place, and the last seen of him by those who were watching his movements was when he dashed up to the front door of the old parsonage, pushed open the portals and entered, never to come out alive. Hours afterward friends were horrified to find the lifeless body of the poor, heartbroken young man lying in a pool of blood on the floor of the old log cabin. A large pocket knife lying near him told the story—in his temporary insanity, produced by his terrible disappointment in love, the poor young man had cut his throat from ear to ear. Since the day of the suicide the place has had the name of being haunted. People who have had occasion to pass that way at night have seen strange looking lights flitting about the place, and have heard awful noises, which they claimed could only be produced by supernatural agency; in fact, it is really believed by the more superstitious ones that the spirit of the young man who died by his own hand on that terrible day still roams undisturbed about the old house and grounds. The great blood stains on the floor are still visible, and it is claimed by some that they even grow more plainly visible as time goes on.

We now come to the most intensely interesting part of our narrative. Near this haunted neighborhood is being constructed what is called an open ditch, and early in November, 1890, Pekin Vasconcellos, of Jacksonville, contracted to do certain work on this artificial water-way and it was on the 8th day of this same that Pekin, accompanied by Capt. Bert Brown, John Hovey and two brothers, set out for the scene of operations. They drove overland, taking with them horses, wagon, picks, shovels, cooking utensils and plenty of provisions for man and beast. It was their intention to camp out and do their own cooking and as the work which they were to perform would require several weeks' time, they naturally went in quest of as comfortable quarters as could be found. Coming across the old parsonage they concluded the place would suit their purpose exactly but while they were preparing to unpack their commissaries and take possession of the place farmers came to tell them

the story of the terrible tragedy that had been enacted there and of the unharmed spirit that still laid claim to the premises. But our Jacksonville friends were not inclined to be superstitious and laughed at the idea of the place being haunted. The farmers shook their heads incredulously and declared that it would be impossible for the men to stay in that house. Perhaps the numerical strength of the party made them more brave and courageous than they otherwise might have been, at any rate they stayed. They cooked their evening meal, smoked their pipes, discussed the strange tale that had been related to them by the neighbors that afternoon, then as the shadows grew darker and the hour grew late they saw that their horses were securely tethered in the yard outside and then one and all prepared to turn into their rough bunks for a much needed rest and sleep. All had turned in except Capt. Brown, who remained up until the others were all in their beds in order to blow out the light. When all was ready Brown blew into the lamp chimney in the usual way, but was awe struck with the result. Instead of being extinguished the blaze appeared to grow as large as two bushel baskets, while small lights of all the hues of the rainbow danced about the room. The strange phenomenon lasted but an instant, but in that moment the whole surroundings were illuminated as by a noon-day sun, then in another instant all was enveloped in darkness. For a few minutes no one dared to speak, and when the awful silence was broken it was only in a whisper that the men dared to communicate with each other. They drew their coats close together and after an hour or two of wakefulness one after another they dozed off. How long they slept they could not tell, but they think it must have been exactly midnight when strange unearthly noises brought every man to his feet. What produced those sounds nobody could surmise. There was a rolling and rumbling as if a terrible storm was raging without, but when one of the men looked out through an unbroken pane of glass that yet remained he saw that the sky was cloudless, and the myriads of heavenly sparklers looked down as if at peace with the whole solar system. Then again came those strange and mysterious sounds, as if some heavy body were being rolled over the floor in the loft. Then it seemed as if some human being were walking on the stairway. Heavy footsteps seemed to walk slowly and deliberately from the bottom of the stairs and ceased as they reached the top. Then the walls of the building trembled as if shaken by an earthquake. Then there was a rattling of pots, kettles and frying pans, and what made the affair appear still more strange was the rearing and plunging and snorting of the horses outside. These sounds continued for a few moments only and then they ceased not to occur again that night.

The men did not again go to sleep, in fact they had no inclination to sleep that night. The next morning they found the horses had been untied and making the most of their freedom. All the men except Capt. Brown went to their work on the ditch. After they had gone the captain looked for those blood stains which he had been told were on the floor, and there they were sure enough, the crimson stains that still told the story of the awful tragedy. Capt. Brown set about to remove them, but he had reckoned without his host. He first used hot water, but the harder he rubbed the redder grew the stains; then he resorted to a box of concentrated lye, but with the same result as before—the more he scrubbed the brighter grew the stains, and he gave up in despair. But our Jacksonville friends were not to be driven out. They remained in that haunted house six weeks, and although often awakened by those strange sounds they gradually grew accustomed to them and did not allow themselves to be disturbed. Sometimes the sounds would resemble the jingling of sleigh bells and the rolling of a heavy stone over the floor in the loft, on which occasion the building would tremble to its very foundations. On more than one occasion they found it impossible to extinguish the light and were compelled to let it burn all

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Mr. Roley arrived in New York according to the program, and accompanied a "Mr. Brown," whom he met at the Grand Central station, to the second floor of 302 East Eleventh street. Two other men were found in the room visited. There were introductions all around, and then "Mr. Brown" explained the object of the visit. One of the men drew from his pocket a large roll of bills and showed it to Mr. Roley. That gentleman appeared to be highly delighted and expressed great astonishment that so excellent counterfeits could be made. When they asked him about buying, Mr. Roley said he had just come to look and had left his draft at the hotel but that he would return and get it and buy. So he and "Brown" started out again. As they reached the street door two detectives advanced upon them and told Brown under arrest. One of the detectives then went upstairs to try to get the other two men, but they had gone. He foiled a man in the hallway and brought him in. In the Jefferson Market police court yesterday Roley failed to identify the other man and he was released.

"Brown" pleaded not guilty and was held to answer under \$1,000 bonds. As Mr. Roley was anxious to get back to his hardware shop in Loraine, the papers were sent to the grand jury at once and an indictment was found against George Brown. He was sent to the toms in default of \$3,500 bail, and he will be tried on Monday. The detectives hope to get the others before long. Inspector Byrnes thinks that if counterfeits continue to try to beat green goods men in their own game, as they have been doing of late, the business will be broken up.

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JOHN PATTON, book-keeper of the South Dakota penitentiary at Sioux Falls, is missing, together with \$1.11 of the funds of the institution.

San Francisco, the largest and fine church edifice on the Pacific coast, was dedicated on the 11th. It took several years to complete the structure. The

A Mysterious Killing.
W. D. Schroeder, an employe of United States Express Company, was found dead with a bullet hole in his forehead.

same; also, to repeal the Road law in counties not under township organization. Adjourned till 5 p. m. of the 12th.

HOUSE—The Governor's message was read. Mr. Enslow introduced a bill appropriating

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tle of the folds of the gown, their unique

I do not know how you came to reject Christianity, but you frankly

Christian people give up the prodigal. I thought the Christian people talk as though they thought the grace of God were a clock of forty or fifty links, and when a link had run out then there was nothing but the depth of a man's iniquity. A man were out hunting for deer, he got off the track of the deer, he would hunt amid the bushes and the brush longer for the lost game than he would look for a lost soul.

They say if a man has had the sacrament twentysix times he cannot be cured. They say if a woman has fallen for a year and a day she cannot be delivered. If a child is an infinite slander on the Gospel of the Son of God. Men who know nothing about practical religion in their own heart. How many

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SAMPLE COPIES.

No more sample copies will be sent out after this week. We would be pleased to have all who have received a copy come in and subscribe. We are giving you a good, live, local paper, and should receive a substantial support in the way of a large subscription list.

CONGRESS may defer financial legislation until it is overwhelmingly too late. If it does, we are under those who are responsible for it.

STANLEY discovered a good many things, but its dollars to ginger cakes that he couldn't find the pocket in his wife's dress to save his soul. There are things which no man can do.

LET those people who think the killing of the Indians such a horrible thing remember the biblical law: "He that draweth the sword shall perish by the sword." Had the Indians not shown their intention to kill they would not have been killed.

SUPPOSE, for a change, Congress should drop politics for awhile and adopt a little legislation for the benefit of the country at large. We know that this is an impossible sort of a supposition, but all the same it would be a mighty good thing to do, and a thing that would add much to the popularity of the individual members who could succeed in bringing it about.

It is now being charged that money is the factor that is to determine who shall succeed Mr. Evans, of New York, in the United States Senate. That would certainly be nothing new; money has been making Senators for some years, and will probably continue to do so until the Senators are elected by a direct vote of the people, as they will be in the course of time.

It is said that ex-President Cleveland and Senator Ingalls are cousins. If this be true it accounts for much of the bitter feeling existing between the two gentlemen. No hatred can approach that felt by near relatives who have quarreled.

THE newspaper opponents of the Hon. Jerry Simpson, in their efforts to down him by silly ridicule, are giving him a lot of free advertising that he may profitably utilize in the future. A man named Lincoln once had a similar experience, and he became one of the greatest men in American history. It's the contents of a man's head and not what covers his feet that counts in the great battle of life.

THERE are two great questions—the greatest in every nation—into which politics should never under any consideration be allowed to enter. They are our financial system and our foreign relations. Upon these two questions we should rise above partisan politics and be patriotic Americans, standing shoulder to shoulder against the whole world, if necessary.

THERE is a growing class in this country, which will have to be squelched by the people or they will ere long become strong enough to squelch the people, in fact in many places they have almost succeeded in doing it already. The class referred to is the professional office-holder; and the newspapers of the country are largely responsible for the great power exercised by this class. According to the argument of average editor the longer a man holds office the longer he ought to hold office, and carried to its logical conclusion it would give us an office holding aristocracy that would eventually become as powerful as the nobles of Europe were in feudal times. Out upon such logic; it is un-American and directly contrary to the ideas of the founders of this government. There is no man to-day holding a public office, high or low whose removal would in the slightest degree injure the interests of the country; on the contrary, there are many in office whose removal would be a positive and direct benefit. In a government of the people, as this was intended to be, rotation in office means everything, that a healthy circulation of the blood, does to the individual human being.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipted Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

Farmington's \$30,000 school building burned recently.

Canton, Ill., is to have a new "crack" militia company.

It is rumored that Canton is to have a toboggan slide in the near future.

All the Canton saloonkeepers except one have been indicted by the grand jury.

A. C. Hilton, a resident of Hannibal, had fifty-one head of cattle stolen and run away.

The farmers of Lawrence county turned out last week and killed 23,000 rabbits in three days.

The proprietors of the Democrat-Messenger at Mt. Sterling will build an office next spring for the accommodation of the paper.

The Journal says:—Camp Point has made more substantial improvements during the year 1890 than has been made for twenty years.

Leroy W. Marsh, of Galesburg, is the greatest horse merchant in the United States. He has handled during the past year over 10,000 horses.

The question of whether or not an organ should be used in the church services has split up the congregation of the Kirkwood U. B. church.

Gold has been discovered near Danville, Ill., in the sands of North Fork. A company composed of Danville business men is purchasing all the adjoining land.

A nigger woman has just died in Hannibal at the age of 118 years. She claims to have known George Washington and all the rest of the people of his day.

A lady in Keokuk publishes a notice demanding the elders of the Christian church to withdraw her name from the church book until a new minister is employed.

sun struck, at fifteen he was again struck by lightning, at seventeen his arm was broken, in 1890 every bone in his wrist was crushed, in 1894 his shoulder was broken, in 1896 his barn took fire and in 1890 a mule kicked him and broke three of his ribs. To offset this bad luck Mr. Dawdy has, at the age of 45, reasonably good health, two hundred and sixty acres of land, twenty horses, seventy hogs, twenty-five cattle, a loving faithful wife and eight children.

A PRESENT TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

It is with pleasure that we announce to our many patrons that we have made arrangements with the wide-awake, illustrated farm magazine, the AMERICAN FARMER, published at Fort Wayne, Ind., and read by nearly 200,000 farmers by which that great publication will be mailed direct, FREE, to the address of any of our subscribers who will come in and pay up all arrearages on subscription and one year in advance from date, and to any new subscriber who will pay one year in advance. This is a grand opportunity to obtain a first-class farm journal free. The AMERICAN FARMER is a large 16-page journal, of national circulation, which ranks among the leading agricultural papers. It treats the question of economy in agricultural and the rights and privileges of that vast body of citizens—American Farmers—whose industry is the basis of all material and national prosperity. Its highest purpose is the elevation and ennobling of agriculture through the higher and broader education of men and women engaged in its pursuits. The regular subscription price of the AMERICAN FARMER is \$1.00 per year. IT COSTS YOU NOTHING. From any one number ideas can be obtained that will be worth thrice the subscription price to you or members of your household, for you get it FREE. Call and see sample copy.

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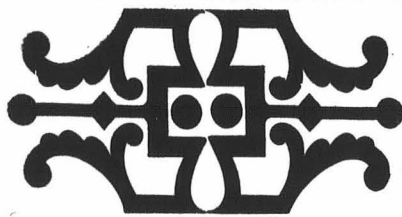
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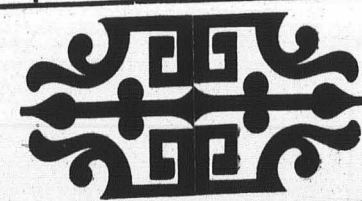
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WAIT FOR NO MAN.

1891.

We welcome the New Year.
We meet the New Year with a pleasant greeting.
We do not know what it has in store for us; but we hope that it may be a prosperous and happy one. We cannot defy time. It waits for none. We build our houses and monuments with this end in view, but time at last destroys them. Now we find that even in the clothing we sell, Old Father Time gets the best of it. Nevertheless we sell the best of everything in this line which we guarantee as represented. See ad. next week.

J. H. CARVER.



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—Chas. McGuinness,
—At Einsteinman's Hall,
—Thursday evening, Jan. 15.
—The river is frozen over.
—Al Geiss spent Sunday and Monday here.
—S. E. Marsh, of Naples, was up Monday.
—Cold weather is now upon us in all its glory.
—Will Williams came up from Naples Monday.
—Geo. Ham, of Chambersburg, was in this city Monday.
For gents' underwear go to the cash store of M. E. Geiss.
—W. Hart was looking over our village one day last week.
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—Miss Belle Boyd has returned from a visit to friends in Naples.
—Miss Minnie Sargent, of Chapin, is visiting her father in this place.
—Miss Nellie Mapin, of Naples, was the guest of friends here Saturday.
—Will Hauser has been making quite a reputation as a horse trader.
—Henry Dresser, C. Burrus and Wm. Suratt, of Naples, were here last week.
—Miss Lulu Moon and her brother visited in Brown county over Sunday.
—David Masterson, of Bluffs, interviewed our merchants one day last week.
—Wm. Chestnutt and Harry Christianer drove over to Beardstown Sunday.

—Ed Halk and Elisha Vandever were over from Versailles one evening last week.
—Robt. Summers attended to the tank at the railroad during Jim Bolling's absence.
—Are you a subscriber? If so look on the first page and see if there is a blue cross on your paper.
I can save you money if you want to buy a sewing machine. Call and see me.
A. E. RITSCHER.
—The first snow of the season fell the latter part of last week. Sleighing is not much good, however, as it did not stay on the roads long.
—The Decatur Daily Magnet says of Charles McGuinness, whose company will play at Einsteinman's Hall, Jan. 15, "A first-class comedy company—an honorable gentleman."

—The following officers were mustered in at the G. A. R. Lodge Monday night: Thos. Hyatt, P. C.; George James, S. V. C.; Fred Santman, J. V. C.; W. H. Rodgers, Adjutant; George W. James, Q. M.; Irwin Siebert, Surg.; Mike Knowland, Chap.; Wm. Freeman, O. D.; J. D. Wilcox, O. G.; George Rouch, S. M.; James Bennett, Q. M. S.

—Chas. McGuinness (the intimitable "Mac") has become a great favorite in Illinois since he was here with Barrett & Wentworth in 1871—A Viola Record. He will appear at Einsteinman's Hall Thursday evening, Jan. 15.

—George M. Pullman, the possessor of many millions, recently said to a correspondent, when asked how it feels to be a millionaire: "I have never thought of that, but now that you mention it, I believe that I am no better off—certainly no happier—than I was when I didn't have a dollar to my name and had to work from daylight until dark. I wore a good suit of clothing then and I can only wear one suit now. I relished three meals a day then a good deal better than I do three meals a day now. I had fewer cares; I slept better, and I may add, generally, that I believe I was far happier in those days than I have been many times since I became a millionaire. And yet it is comfortable feeling to be rich."

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—Les. Webster is visiting relatives in Clayton.

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—Harry Andre made a business trip to Jacksonville Wednesday.

—The Examiner attended the marriage of William Allen, of Meredosia, and Miss Sarah Woods, of Chambersburg, Pike county, at 9 o'clock last Tuesday morning. The event occurred in the county clerk's office at the court house, this city, and the police magistrate tied the hymenial knot. May their married life be long, prosperous and happy, saith The Examiner.—Mt. Sterling Examiner.

—Many years practice have given C. A. Snow & Co., Solicitors of Patents, at Washington, D. C., unsurpassed success in obtaining patents for all classes of invention. They make a specialty of rejected cases, and have secured allowances of many patents that had been previously rejected. Their advertisement in another column, will be of interest to inventors, patentees, manufacturers, and all who have to do with patents.

—Chas. McGuinness, the old time comedian has, after an absence of thirteen years, returned to Illinois. He will render the ever laughable play entitled "Uncle Dan, the old Vet," at Einsteinman's Hall on Thursday evening, Jan. 15. He is accompanied by a good company on this tour. "Mac" is a whole show himself and this community does not often have an opportunity to witness his equal. Let a good audience greet him and he will give you a good show in return. This is "Mac's" seventh year with this one play which is guaranty enough that it is good. Remember the date. Thursday evening, Jan. 15.

Dissolution Notice.
Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between George Geiss and Milo Ripley, under the firm name of Geiss & Ripley, is by mutual consent this day dissolved.
GEORGE GEISS.
MILO RIPLEY.

A CARD.
Having purchased the interest in the saloon belonging to Milo Ripley, I hereby inform the public that I will continue the business at the old stand, where you can always find the best brands of whiskeys, wines, etc., on hand. I thank you for past favors and hope for a continuance of same.
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—Robert Nofz, a photographer from Perry, Ill., was in Bluffs last Thursday distributing the pictures of our public schools. We have been informed that he will return soon for a three weeks stay.

—Quite a number of little folks assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Tewksbury on Saturday afternoon, Jan. 10, to commemorate the event of their little daughter, Pearl's, 7th birthday. A very enjoyable time was had and Pearl was the recipient of quite a number of presents.

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—Bud Hale's little boy is sick.
—Mrs. Frank Heinz has been very sick.
—Fruit tree peddlers now infest our little city.
—"Pete" Heinz has returned from a visit to Iowa.
—Harve Ham spent Sunday in Chambersburg.
—The Lake was crowded with skaters Sunday.
—Our grain merchants are doing a rushing business.
—Don't dance—it was the death of Sitting Bull.—Ex.
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—Did you ever see such beautiful weather for this time of the year?
—Miss Eva Hyatt has been visiting in Pittsfield, but returned last week.
—The measles are somewhat on the decline, but some few cases are yet reported.
—The senior of THE NEWS is in Chicago this week under the care of a physician.
—Chas. Guinness' company of laugh-makers, played to a fair house last Thursday evening.
—Gus Graham will attend business college at Chicago we understand from the first of February.
I can save you money if you want to buy a sewing machine. Call and see me.
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—Ed Heaton and Charlie Hauser carried off the turkeys at the prize shoot Saturday, Ed taking first and Charlie second.
—Geo. T. Hildings, of Monroe City, Missouri, has invented a chicken coop that is a trap for foxes, weasels and all sorts of coons that feast on poultry.
—No one seems to want to investigate the ghost yarn. As yet we have not found any one who knows the exact location of the alleged haunted house.
—We received a very pleasant letter from our old friend, Pete Taylor, accompanied by some of the "one thing needful." Pete is now at Appleton City Mo.
—Persons from a distance sending money orders, postal notes, etc., to this office will please have them made out to THE NEWS and not to either of the proprietors.
—The St. Joseph News says there is a difference between living simply and simply living, but it is pretty hard sometimes for a country editor to draw the distinction.
—Come in now and leave your name for THE NEWS. If you have a friend whom you wish to remember with some token, nothing will be more acceptable than the home paper, and besides it costs you only \$1.25 per year.
—A Kansas editor has begun the year by the following orthodox and optimistic announcements: "We believe in the Christian religion and in its great text book, the Bible, the whole story and all; we believe that Moses was a great deal wiser and better than Lawyer Bob Ingersoll and never talked for revenge only; we believe that nearly all men are honest and that a genuine dead beat is a rare specimen of genus homo; we believe that the purification of politics is not an irreducible dream, and the man who thinks it is not fit for a public place." It is evident that all the editor's subscribers have paid up.

W. H. BALLOU makes the statement that the failure of the cotton-seed crop in Louisiana and Mississippi has entailed a loss of \$15,000,000 upon the negroes of those states.

GEORGE BANCROFT, the venerable historian, died at his home in Washington, last Saturday. He had only been sick for two days, and was on the streets three days before his death. He was born in Worcester, Mass., Oct. 3, 1800.

CONSUL GENERAL EDWARDS, at Berlin, informs the state department that the emperor of Germany has issued a proclamation raising the prohibition of the importation of swine, swine flesh and sausages of Danish, Swedish or Norwegian origin. He adds that the only decree now remaining in force relates to the pork of American origin. The emperor must be playing for "reciprocity."

At Chicago one hundred and fifty Masons have each allowed an inch square to be taken from their persons to be grafted on to a brother Mason, whose life the surgeon said can only be saved in that way. Without noting the brotherly love thus so strongly manifested it may be safely remarked that when done the recipient of the favor will be built up on what is known as the composite style of architecture.

GREAT BRITAIN, and the continent have been visited by the coldest weather and snows known for fully half a century. The river Thames has been frozen over, trains have been blocked, and many sea-ports have been closed by ice, so as to prevent vessels passing in and out. Even sunny Italy has been visited by heavy falls of snow, and great suffering has been entailed upon a people wholly unaccustomed to a severe winter weather.

FRAU SOPHIA SALVINUS, an able German woman worker of letters, has issued an appeal to her country women to reform those national modes of education which consider girls simply as future wives and house-keepers. Their present training, she says, leaves German women without individuality and with pitifully low ideals of life. If Frau Sophia considers it a "low ideal of life" to be an ideal house-wife we must go on record as belonging to the opposition.—Quincy Herald. Here to brother.

Odds and Ends.

Miss Kate Kramer, a suicide, was buried at Nauvoo on the 6th. It was to have been her wedding day. On December 30 Fredrick Bangor, age 31, of Nauvoo, procured a license to marry Miss Kate Kramer, aged 25. County Clerk Scott, at Carthage, received the marriage license by mail with the blank lines used by the officiating minister or justice, unfilled. She took poison.

Sunday night during the temporary absence of its agent, the office of the Pacific Express company at Jacksonville, Ill., was broken into by burglars and ten or twelve money packages carried away. As they were transfer packages and the way bills were also stolen it is impossible to state the amount of money secured. There is no clew to the perpetrators as yet. Officers of the company are investigating the matter.

Frank Pearce, owner of the old county poor farm near Macomb, has just finished the hideous task of removing the bodies of thirty-one paupers from the old grave yard to that of the new one at the present county farm. The coffins in which the remains were buried were of the cheapest kind and many of them had burst open revealing an awful condition of things. All of the coffins except two fell to pieces in this manner.

A farmer has written the Keokuk Constitution-Democrat as follows: "I understand from farmers in the vicinity of Keokuk that the fly is killing the wheat. If this is true, brother farmer, gather all your stock, turn them on your wheat and pasture your wheat until every square inch shows the footprints of horse or cow. Pasturing short and tramping destroys the eggs. They are very tender in the first stages."

At Hannibal Josiah Jaynes had been on a protracted tour and thinking his friends had all abandoned him, waded in the river with suicidal intent. The water was too cold, Josiah called loudly and persons near got him out of the water. Another fellow, Tom Quinn, at Keokuk, made a neck-tie of a towel, tied the end of it to the iron railing of the city jail in which he was confined and jumped off a table. The towel was too weak and Tom still survives to absorb Keokuk levee whiskey.

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—Rhodes Cox, a St. Louis drummer, was here Monday.
—Miss Lettie Bushnell is the guest of her sister in Hersman.
—Ed Irving, of Chambersburg, was on business here last week.
—James Ward and wife, of Naples, were trading in town Friday.
—A. E. Ritscher made a business trip to Jacksonville Tuesday.
—John Wessles, of Quincy, was among our business Tuesday.
—Miss Lizzie Weathers, of Augusta, is visiting Bud Hale and family.
—Frank Wilson is out after a two week's confinement with measles.
—John Burrus drove over to Bluffs and took in the show Friday night.
—Isaac Hurbert and family, of Arenzville, visited here over Sunday.
—Jas. F. Self, sheriff of Morgan county, had business in our city Monday.
—Judge Epler, of Jacksonville, was looking up old friends in town Saturday.
—There will be another prize shoot Saturday, the prizes being turkeys and pigs.
—Mr. and Mrs. Evermeyer, of Beardstown, are guests at Jake Gemmings.
—The Waverly Journal gave the business men of Waverly a write-up last week.
—Harve Wilson was called here from Mt. Sterling, by the sickness of his father, Monday evening.
—Charlie and Joe Hauser, with their wives, attended the dance at Naples Monday night.
—A farmer's insane wife got on the Hannibal tracks near Meadville, Mo., Saturday, and stood smiling with her hands folded on her bare bosom as the east bound express knocked her down and ground her to pieces.
—We were shown a letter from I. W. Baldwin, of Forest Grove, Oregon, this week. He is well pleased with the country and paints it in glowing colors. Mr. Baldwin was once a resident of this place and has many warm friends here who wish him success in his new home.
—Will Hauser had a wagon load of young folks out serenading Sunday evening. We did not learn where they had been, but we had the pleasure of listening to their strains of sweet music as they drove around the city. It is needless to say that Will is an excellent bass. Come again.
—Those who would scorn to trip the light fantastic at any other time balance to their partners and all the rest of the business world at this season of the year. And if you don't balance you are made to dance. The quadrille of annual settlements is now so unlike other social events there is no special anxiety to obtain invitations. But everybody must balance to everybody else, and some of the dancing is done to the music of the sheriffs and constables.—Ex.

—W. H. Taylor yesterday shipped by express his greyhound, "Dico," to Tacoma, Neb., where it goes to contest a race with a jack-rabbit. No hound, we hear, has ever been able to contest a jack-rabbit, the one coming nearest the accomplishment of this task being an offspring of Mr. Taylor's animal, which we are informed is faster than any of her sons, illustrious and fleet-footed as they may be.—Macomb Journal.

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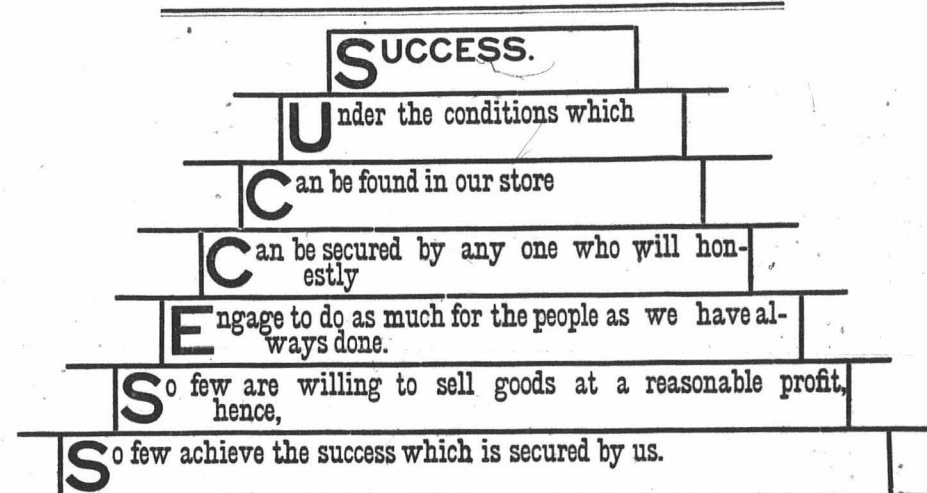
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—Butter, 12c.
—Bran, 70c. cwt.
—Coarse Feed, 90c. cwt.
—Shipstuffs, 90c. cwt.
—Hogs, \$3.25.
—Potatoes, \$1. to \$1.20.
—Sweet Potatoes, \$1.00.
—Mixed Feed, 75c. cwt.
—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
—Spring weather.
—Mrs. Geo. Geiss is reported on the sick list.
—Henry Kruse, of Bluffs, was trading here Saturday.
—Joseph and Geo. Frye, of Naples, were here Tuesday.
—Forgets' underwear go to the cash store of M. E. Geiss.
—A. B. Cunduff, of Arenzville had business here Tuesday.
—Capt. Abrams, was looking up old friends here Monday.
—Naples, we are informed, had another fire last week.
—Elder James Barry of Chambersburg, was here last week.
—Mrs. Geo. Jaques, visited relatives in Brown county last week.
—J. J. Hughes, of the Golden Broom Factory, was in town Monday.
—Capt. J. D. Kerr, of the Locks, come down Monday on business.
—New raisins and currents at the cheap cash store of M. E. Geiss.
—Buy the Jennie June sewing machine at \$25.00 cash at J. C. Kratz.
—Chas. Root, a prominent farmer of Brown county, was trading in town Tuesday.
—A. H. Bush, of Dign's Merchandise Agency, St. Louis, was in the town Saturday.
—The young folks, of Versailles, will give a grand select ball on Tuesday evening, Feb. 10.
—Jas. Graves, one of Versailles society gentlemen, was in the city Saturday evening.
—Lawson Metz, one of Chambersburg's most popular citizens, was trading in the city Friday.
—Boys at Barry emptied coal oil in the well at the school house and an investigation is being made.
—Minor Hale has resigned his position as bar-tender at Geiss's saloon, and Geo. Stokes has taken the place.
—I can save you money if you want to buy a sewing machine. Call and see me.
—A. E. RITSCHER.
—I am now agent for the Wheeler & Wilson sewing machine. See them.
—J. C. KRATZ.

—The sheriff of Brown county passed through this place Sunday evening for Kansas where he goes after a criminal.

—Wm. Vaughn, of Versailles, dropped in to see us one day last week. He had been to Merritt to purchase a fine horse.

—Miss Mary Higgins, of Naples, made this office a call Tuesday morning. She has a class in painting in this place.

—The senior has not yet returned from Chicago. He reports that he is getting along splendidly and expects to be home some time next week.

—W. T. Lakin, the long-legged newspaper promulgator and ex-husband of several different women, has commenced lecturing on woman's rights.

—The editor of the Waverly Journal says he has just discovered the meaning of the cabalistic P. P. T. P. P. that ornaments the local columns of the Palmyra paper. He says it means "Pity Poor Tired Palmyra People."

—The diamond society met at home of Alta Leslie last Saturday afternoon and elected the following officers: Edith Freeman, Pres.; Alta Leslie, Vice-President; Grace Graham, Secretary; Nellie Baujan, Treasurer; Winnie Wackerle, Chairman; Lena Hauser, and Minnie Wegehut, Committee.

—The next meeting will be held at the home of Grace Graham next Saturday afternoon. The society is now engaged in picking a quilt.

—N. H. P.

—Lent is at hand.
—Frank Hermette, of Bluffs, spent Tuesday in town.

—Judge Dresser, of Naples, was here on business Saturday.

—Jno. Vanderlip and Miss Lulu Moon are visiting in Beardstown.

—Several Chambersburg sportsmen attended the shoot last Saturday.

—Tom Burrus and wife, of Naples, visited here Saturday and Sunday.

—C. C. Keener went down the river in his yacht, the Dispatch, Tuesday.

—Geo. Baker and Ed Reynolds, of Perry, visited friends here Saturday.

—Miss Josie Dresser, has been spending several days with friends in this place.

—Henry Metz, of Chambersburg, was on business here one day last week.

—Commercial drummers seem to have taken this place by storm the past week.

—The next legal holiday will be Washington's birthday and it comes on Sunday.

—Will Williams and Will Simmons, of Naples, were looking up friends here Tuesday.

—The high arm Singer sewing machine for sale, best in the land.

—J. C. KRATZ.

—The Quincy Saturday Review wants to know if the conductors on the "red express," of the J. S. E. line are red headed.

—We learn that our friend Geo. W. Merriss, of Bluffs, has secured a position in the House at Springfield during the present session of the legislature. We are pleased at George's success.

—A New York chemist has devised a plan for making whiskey out of potatoes. What good will this accomplish. Any one can get whiskey, but it takes money to buy potatoes.

—Last week by some means several mistakes were made in the ad. of J. H. Carver. The prices are all correct this week, however, and we respectfully solicit your attention to same.

—Come in now and leave your name for The News. If you have a friend whom you wish to remember with some token, nothing will be more acceptable than the home paper, and besides it costs you only \$1.25 per year.

—Seven is an awful unlucky number. On the seventh day of the seventh month of last year at seven o'clock in the evening we contracted a debt of seven dollars and the man has sent for the money seventy times seven times and hasn't got it yet.—Ex.

—Many years practice have given C. A. Snow & Co., Solicitors of Patents at Washington, D. C., unsurpassed in obtaining patents for all classes of invention. They make a specialty of rejected cases, and have secured allowance of many patents that had been previously rejected. Their advertisement in another column, will be of interest to inventors, patentees, manufacturers, and all who have to do with patents.

—Garfield Black, the boy elocutionist, will be at the M. E. church in this place Wednesday evening. The Clayton Enterprise says of him: "That ten-year-old boy, Garfield Black, is a prodigy. Never did we see the same amount of eloquence displayed and ability manifested by one so young. He recited at the Christian church Wednesday evening of last week to a fair audience, although he had not been thoroughly advertised. He is a marvel. The father is justly proud of the son and allows the audience to know it."

—A team belonging to Mrs. J. A. Price ran away from her son, Graham, Saturday, as he was hauling feed from a field north of town, running through a hard wire fence and then into the lake where they were mired down and unable to go farther. The wagon to which they were attached was not much damaged only the coupling pole being broken. Al Waldo, who attempted to stop them, was thrown down and cut about the lower limbs considerably by a loose wire hanging to the wagon. Two more runaways are reported for Saturday, but we have not learned who they were.

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The T. gown is now cut with a V neck and looks like L.—Ex.

The Indian war will now be transferred to the columns of the newspapers, and every crank in the country will be an eager participant.

An explanation that does not explain, is that issued by Dr. Koch concerning the component parts of his lymph. Perhaps this gentleman intended it so.

The Congressional Record will have to enlarge its force if the report be true that Senator Blair intends making a speech in the Senate explaining why he was defeated.

Why doesn't somebody start an agitation against the wearing of gowns by the justices of the United States Supreme Court? They lead about as much dignity to a court as a mother Hubbard wrapper does to a woman.

The rapid increase in the membership of the Farmers' Alliance in the state of Maryland is said to be disturbing the leaders of the old parties. The same may be truthfully said of the organization in a number of other states if the old parties would stop this, let them recognize the wishes of the farmers in the framing of legislation; they are certainly numerous enough to have a right to be heard in our legislative halls.

The idea of the United States guaranteeing \$10,000,000 of bonds of the Nicaragua Canal company, as proposed by the Senate committee on Foreign Relations, is not meeting with popular approval and it ought not to. Why should the government loan a private corporation this large amount of money, for that is what guaranteeing the bonds practically amounts to, to build a canal in the management of which the government will have no say.

WONDER what has become of other correspondents.

BROTHER WANNAMAKER still hangs on to his postal telegraph scheme, notwithstanding the cold shoulder Congress has turned upon. Drop it, Mr. Wannamaker, and take up one cent letter postage if you want to please the people.

It will be gratifying to stock raisers to learn that France will shortly rescind against the importation of American pork. If all of our two footed hogs could only be sent to France how happy we should be, but it would be mighty rough on France.

It is not surprising that the political complications in Nebraska should have driven ex-Gov. Thayer crazy. They have almost had that effect upon lots of people not so deeply interested as was Mr. Thayer.

CONGRESS is again giving the country an exhibition of partisan politics, of which the people are getting awfully tired. There will come a time when Congress will "catch on" to the ideas of the people on this subject, and it cannot come too soon.

The New York Press says that the following is the frontiersman's view on the Indian question:
That he is wronged and in distress,
He says and tries to play so;
He's simply full of cunningness,
And till his death 'll stay so.

The Panama canal people have now heard of the enormous profits of the American lottery kings, and determined to attempt to raise the money to complete the canal by a series of lotteries. It's largely a question of luck whether they succeed.

DAVY CROCKETT'S motto: "Be sure you are right, then go ahead," is a good one to live by, but it's just as well not to waste too much time in ascertaining whether you are right, or you will find some other fellow has gone ahead of you.

The idea of electing United States Senators by direct vote of the people is growing more popular all the time. The Indiana legislation has adopted a resolution indorsing the change, and it's only a question of time when the pressure in favor of it will compel Congress to adopt a constitutional amendment providing therefor.

Odds and Ends.

—Fine job work a specialty at this office.

—A farmer in Holt county, Mo., has twenty-six living children, none of whom are married, and all of them are at home. There are eleven pairs of twins in the little home circle.

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—An exchange tells the following good joke on a neighboring editor: It is to the effect that the pencil-pusher went out to report a party the other evening where the home had recently been blessed with a baby. Accompanied by his best girl, he met the hostess at the door, and after the usual salutations, asked after the baby's health. The lady was quite dead and suffering with the gripe, though he was asking about her cold, and told him although she had one every winter, this was the worst one she had ever had; it kept her awake nights a good deal at first and confined her to her bed. Then she noticed the scribe was getting pale and nervous, she said she could tell by his looks, that he was going to have one just like hers, and asked him to go in and sit down. The paper was out as usual the next week, but the editor has quit inquiring about babies.

—The latest social fad is the "potato party." Only the wealthiest classes can afford to indulge in it, however, owing to the exalted position of the potato this year. At a party given in a neighboring town four rows of potatoes, four in a row, were laid the length of the long room, and the sport began. The names of two couples were called, and the four, two ladies and two gentlemen, stationed themselves at the potato lines, and at the signal of a bell began the difficult feat of lifting the first potato on a feast spoon. This accomplished, it is to be borne safely to the umpire's table at the extreme end of the room, and the task repeated until the four potatoes are safely brought into harbor. The game continued until steadiness of all was tested, and great amusement was created. This will give still another branch in the list of novel entertainments so popular this winter.

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—Strawberry farming pays in England. From a single strawberry farm at Orpington the proprietor got 500 tons of fruit, an amount which, at four cents a pound, represents a turnover of more than \$45,000.

—Farmers in Fayette County, Pa., are alarmed over a peculiar disease prevailing among cattle, especially among calves. The trouble is first noticed in the stiffening of the joints of the fore legs, the whole body of the animal finally becoming useless.

—The mechanics visited the Art Gallery a few days ago and stood before "The Angelus" in silence for a few minutes. "That's a fine picture," said one, "that's the real thing." "Aye, so it is," rejoined the other. "You can almost hear the whistle blow to quit work!"

—At the Mount Saint Bernard Monastery the Cistercian rule, only a shade less severe than that of La Trappe, is rigidly observed. From six p. m. until 5:30 a. m. is the great silence, which none may break save under grave necessity. One meal in winter and one in summer, as it is called, is the daily allowance.

—At the close of a fair in South Boston the other evening the unsold articles were offered at auction, and a round lot of cream pies were knocked down to a gentleman who seemed particularly anxious to get the pies. "My wife made these pies," he said, "and gave them to the fair, but as she never makes any of this quality except to give away, my only chance is to buy them." And then he sat down and consumed a couple in silence.—Boston Post.

—Italian bootblacks will soon monopolize the business of "shining" in this city, because, as a rule, they do much more satisfactory work than the native bootblacks, either white or colored, says the New York Tribune. In the first place, most of them will carefully scoop off the old blacking when they see it to be necessary without being asked. They spend fully twice as much time over a job as do their American rivals, and end up with oiling the soles and brushing your clothes, all for five cents.

—An authenticated case of a human nose that had been cut off being restored is told of in a medical paper. Operations of the character are often heard of, but almost invariably the reports lack confirmation. The patient was a young man employed in a cotton mill, and the operation was performed by Dr. Kelley, of Georgia, Ga. The organ was cut cleanly off by a rapid revolving belt and had remained where it had fallen for about an hour. It was washed carefully and every antiseptic precaution used, and healed in the course of a week.

—The buzzard is not commonly reported as a particularly voracious or vicious bird so long as its victim is alive. Nevertheless, it is reported from Georgia that some farm hands, trying to find whose was the pig they heard squealing in so agonized a way, actually found it in the top of a sweet gum tree, being eaten alive by a buzzard. They stoned the bird, and away it flew to another tree with the pig in its claws. Further investigation showed the buzzard had attacked a whole litter, carrying off the above one, and tearing three others almost to death.

—The illumination of one of the corridors in the Bridewell prison, Chicago, affords a good illustration of some of the advantages of the electric light. The lamps are placed upon the walls and shine into the cells. They are entirely out of reach of the prisoners, but under the instant control of the keeper, who finds his labor materially lessened by having everything in full view. A very important consideration is the improved hygienic conditions which accompany the use of the electric light in prisons, where it is also said its cheerfulness has a distinctly beneficial effect on the prisoners.

—In a "fake" dime museum in New York one of the devices for robbing the unwary is an alleged fishing pond. You pay so much for trying your luck, and then in one of the many familiar ways you come out owing the museum a dollar or so, which, of course, you needn't pay unless you are greener than grass. Well, the other day a man who looked like a countryman, but wasn't, strayed into this place, and the fishing-pond fakir tickled him with: "Want to try your luck fishin', boss? only twenty-five cents." "No," was the response. "Guess you don't know what kind of fish you kin catch, boss." "Oh yes, I do," was the quick reply. "Suppers are caught in this pond." Good-day.

—Some months ago, says the Photographic News, a man was found dead in bed in a common lodging house in Southwark. The body was photographed by the police, and buried as unidentified. About a month ago a woman, whose husband had been missing for twelve months, was shown the photograph at Scotland Yard, and identified it as being the portrait of her husband, who was insured for £17. She made an affidavit, obtained the money, put on widow's weeds, and mourned her husband's death. About a fortnight since she was startled by her husband—who had been to America—reappearing, and it is only fair to the widow to say that she at once recognized and received him in the most affectionate manner. The most disagreeable part of the business will probably be the returning of the £17.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

A Quincey weather prophet says we will yet have plenty of ice.

Abington is enjoying a sensation now in the shape of an elopement.

William Zang, a Quincey letter carrier, was sent to the Chester penitentiary one year for robbing the mail.

A society has been organized in Jacksonville known as the Jacksonville Exchange for the purpose of helping the poor and needy.

A distinguished humorist recently listened to his mother-in-law's funeral sermon through the telephone, 459 miles away. Is this a new mother-in-law joke?

A Jack the Hagger has made his appearance in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and is said the ladies are perfectly delighted, while the men set up o' nights to catch the rascal.

The Monmouth Farm Implement Co., with a capital stock of \$50,000, has been organized at Monmouth. They will manufacture the combined pulverizer, seeder and harrow.

At Hannibal, Monday night, a woman who felt aggrieved at the actions of a printer named Murphy called him to the door of a house and threw vitriol in his face. He will probably lose one eye by the affair.

Keokuk will soon be able to boast of having the largest well in the world. It is now being sunk on the property of J. Hubinger on Grand avenue. It is several hundred feet deep and eight feet in diameter. A well developed sign of oil has appeared.

There has been some talk of a fire engine racket and turn our attention to the water question for a little while. Let's get a jag of hay before we get the elephant—the animal might otherwise be compelled to go hungry, you know.—Mt. Sterling Ex.

A Vermont deacon, who was up before the church for horse-racing, said: "I don't approve of horse racing; but when another member of the church becomes so godless as to try to pass me on the road, I feel it my duty to prevent him, just to keep him from putting his trust in earthly things."

At Stroughurst James Connell attempted suicide in an unusual manner. He took a pair of shears and thrust them into his side three or four inches and then with another instrument proceeded to pound them in further, when his wife attracted by the noise, ran and pulled them out, preventing any further attempt at self destruction.

The Barry Adage of last week contains a card from Rev. N. Kline announcing his withdrawal from the Baptist church, and assigning as a reason that he believes Saturday is Sunday of to be the Sabbath day. It is generally known that Saturday is a busy day, and the boys can't go fishing on Saturday.

The community around Hills Grove, Ill., is certainly an exceptional one when it comes to generosity. The new M. E. church of that place was dedicated last Sunday. Subscriptions made on this day amounted to \$508. This church cost nearly thirteen hundred dollars, exclusive of the ground, and was dedicated free from debt, and with a hundred dollars in its treasury.

Macomb Eagle: The Buckeye pottery of this city has two girls employed in their works. This is the first time girls have been employed in any pottery in Macomb. They do the same work that the boys do—one is pounding balls and the other is employed in the glazing department. So far it is a success, and we should not be surprised to hear of more of the potteries employing them.

William Chamberlain, of Derby township, Pike county, committed suicide last week by shooting the top of his head off. He had forged several notes on prominent citizens of that vicinity and when discovered could not stand the exposure which was sure to follow. The amount of forged notes that have come to light so far is about \$9,500.

A correspondent thus describes Elk-horn, Brown county: It is a sort of lousy-bury place; no man seems to be satisfied. One man is struggling for justice and another is flying from it; one man is saying up to build a house another is trying to sell his dwelling for less than it cost, to get rid of it; one man is spending all the money he can make in taking his girl out in hired road carts, hoping eventually to make her his wife, while his neighbor is spending his gold in getting a divorce; one man escapes all the diseases flesh is heir to and gets killed on a railroad, while another goes through a half dozen battles without a scratch and dies with a grippe.

Excutor's Notice.

Estate of Jesse Lake, deceased. The undersigned having been appointed Executor of the last will and testament of Jesse Lake, late of the county of Morgan and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Morgan county, at the court house in Jacksonville at the April term, A. D. 1891, of said court, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned. Dated this 30th day of January, A. D. 1891. HARRIET LAKE, Executrix.

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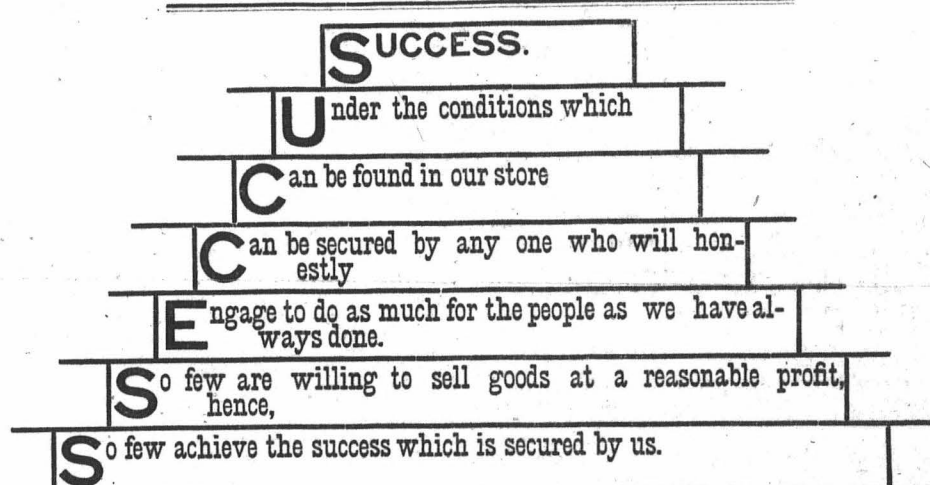
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—Oats, 40c.
—Corn, 45c.
—Meal, 60c.
—Eggs, 18c.
—Wheat, 85c.
—Flour, \$1.25.
—Butter, 12c.
—Bran, 70c. cwt.
—Coarse Feed, 90c. cwt.
—Shipstuffs, 90c. cwt.
—Hogs, \$3.25.
—Potatoes, \$1. to \$1.20.
—Sweet Potatoes, \$1.00.
—Mixed Feed, 75c. cwt.
—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
—John Kratz was a visitor at Jacksonville last week.

—Miss Lettie Crawford spent Sunday in Mt. Sterling.
—Quite a number attended the Jesse Lake sale last week.
—Mr. and Miss Williams were visiting Dr. and Mrs. Ray.
—Henry Herrin, of Versailles, was trading here Monday.
—“Cumps” Dunn, of Chambersburg, was in town Saturday.
—Bent. Martin, of Spring Station, traded here Saturday.

—Minor Hale took a pleasure trip to Canton and Peoria last week.

—Harry Owens, former proprietor of Perry Springs, was with us Friday.

—An eighteen months old child of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Lawson was buried Sunday.

—The Clayton Enterprise is trying to talk up an electric light plant for that place.

—A grand festival and oyster supper will be given at Lewis' Opera House, Bluffs, Feb. 17.

—The question that is now agitating the minds of our people is: “Who kicked over the stove?”

—The Versailles Enterprise last week chronicled eight deaths. Pretty good harvest for one week.

I am now agent for the Wheeler & Wilson sewing machine. See them.

J. C. KRATZ.

—Do you want to know where you can get your horse bills printed the cheapest? Call at this office and inquire.

Try our best grades of roast coffee. Acme, Climax and Eight Hour, put up three pound bags, at the Cheap Cash Store of M. E. Geiss.

—A young man at Berlin, in trying to burn a hole in the calabash, was killed by the structure and was roasted to death in the flames last week.

—Don't neglect the grand masque ball to be given by the young people of Meredosia and Beardstown, at Einstantman's Hall, on St. Valentine's day, Feb. 14.

—Our local politicians do not seem to be very anxious to back any one in the present senatorial contest and we do not see that one is very safe in backing either at present.

—Mt. Sterling papers report great mysteries from that town. It is a man who stands on the street corners as if waiting for some one and when approached takes to his heels and in the words of the Democrat-Messenger “a race horse cannot catch him.”

—A. N. Kellogg Newspaper Company has favored the literary department of The News with a copy of the Wide-Awake magazine. The magazine well deserves the name given it as any one can readily observe who will glance it over.

—J. W. January, the great war veteran, will favor our people with his wonderful lecture Monday evening, Feb. 16th, at Einstantman's Hall. The only man in the world who has successfully amputated his own legs. The entertainment, wonderful, startling and thrilling, an entertainment for young and old abounding in pathos and humor. Truth and reality abundant, illustrating the old saying that “Truth is stranger than fiction.”

—A clergyman in Pennsylvania was found guilty in a breach of promise case and fined \$3,000. He would not pay the fine as he thought it would look like a confession of guilt so he was sent to prison. There in addition to editing a weekly paper he is converting all the prisoners, till the officials declare that he has turned the jail into a paradise and that his coming there was a divine dispensation.

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TERMS: \$1.25 A YEAR, IN ADVANCE.

The failure of Mr. Wannamaker to get congress to endorse his postal telegraph scheme will hardly be the cause of any general grief.

The Portuguese revolution must have been modeled upon those which periodically occur in Central America. It lasted just one day.

A EXHAUSTIVE man will hesitate before becoming a member of Mr. Harrison's cabinet, notwithstanding the honor conferred by the position.

There is a bill before the legislature to consolidate the supreme court at Springfield and move the appellate court sessions to East St. Louis.

It would seem that the money question is causing as much trouble in certain state legislatures as in Congress. You remember the adage “Money is the root of all evil.”

We would suggest that the owners of the Chicago air ship that will not fly, should at once form a co-partnership with Keeley, the Philadelphia man who owns the motor that will not go.

The World's fair seems to be like a good many of us—short of money. It is stated that the directors have arranged to spend on the exhibition something like \$5,000,000 more than they have in sight.

A SILVER pool must have a very light bottom, judging from the quantity of filth that has already come to the surface. If it ever gets thoroughly stirred up decent people will be compelled to hold their noses.

Once more Congress is asked to charter a company which proposes to lay a trans-Pacific cable. A shilly company was chartered by Congress in 1874, but not having begun work within three years, its franchise expired by limitation.

SEVERAL of the soldiers returning from the seat of the late Indian war at Pine Ridge were killed or mutilated in a railroad collision. War kills its thousands, but the lithsome locomotive its tens of thousands.

WASHINGTON physicians have declared the White House to be a very unhealthy residence, but there is no diminution in the number of gentlemen willing to risk their precious health by a four years residence therein.

No time is more uselessly wasted than that taken up discussing “might have been’s.” We all might have been born millionaires, but as only a few of us were, the rest will have too keep right along hustling or down we go deeper than—you know who.

In March, 1893, the Bell Telephone company's patent will expire after which time anyone can have a telephone of his own, as it is said an efficient phone can then be purchased for from \$2. to \$2.50. When they get as plenty as sewing machines and typewriters, won't there be an awful number of hello girls in the country?

The character of the man who is to succeed the late Secretary of the Treasury should be carefully weighed by Mr. Harrison, as a mistake in the selection of this official will certainly be followed by the most direful consequences to the country, and everyone knows that our present financial system is in no condition to stand another heavy strain at this time.

SENATOR SHERMAN said in a recent newspaper interview that the desire for the free coinage of silver was only a temporary craze with the farmers, who imagined it would benefit them. He also said that Mr. Harrison would veto the free coinage bill, if it ever reached him, which he did not think it would. Time will show how much of a prophet he is.

Gov. HILL and ex-president Cleveland met at a New York dinner party recently. They bowed and smiled at each other, but it is not recorded that they wasted any time discussing their respective claims to the democratic nomination next year. Perhaps they thought their friends were doing quite enough talking on the subject. Lots of people think they are doing entirely too much.

MR. HARRISON is right in asking Congress to change the present law, which limits the President to ten days in filling any vacancy that may occur in his cabinet. The time is entirely too short and no harm could come from a change that would allow the assistant secretary of any of the Government departments to act as its need, in case of the death or resignation of the secretary, until the vacancy shall be filled.

THE appalling mine disaster in Pennsylvania last week leads one to think. A mine, presumably safe, is peopled during working hours by upwards of 200 men. At any moment the pick of a miner might penetrate some old lead thus releasing the awful gas which had for years been pent up therein. The mine proper was safe, but the surroundings? And yet men carried naked lights—lights which in case of an influx of gas meant death. The influx came, the light followed and death followed. Someone is responsible. Someone has blood on his hands, and in order that such a holocaust may never occur again, someone merits a punishment which will be the more salutary as it is severe.

The Barry Case.

It will be remembered that THE NEWS made mention last week of Mr. Barry, of Versailles, dying very suddenly and that he was suspected of being poisoned. He lived on a farm owned by his father-in-law, Wm. Knox, about three miles east of Versailles, his family and that of Mr. Knox occupying the same house. Mr. Knox has been demented lately and Barry had been managing the farm.

The Versailles Enterprise of last week says of the case: “For a long time it has been current rumor that the relations existing between the members of these families have not been altogether unmixt with happiness and at times words wars have been inaugurated and many windy battles have been fought. But be this as it may, nothing serious had resulted until Thursday evening of last week when Chas. Barry, after a very short illness, died.”

No sooner had his death been announced, than speculation as to the cause of his sudden demise was indulged in by our people and a thousand rumors had it that his death was unnatural and had been hastened by

some foul means. In fact many did not hesitate to state that it was their firm belief that the death was caused by poison of some kind, and that administered by some member or members of his own family. And in this belief they justified themselves by statements of alleged family troubles, threats and other suspicious circumstances which had happened in the past, and as well as the very sudden death, and unseemly haste attending the burial.

These rumors of foul play finally became so wide spread and the people so worked up over the matter, that nothing short of a post mortem examination of the remains of deceased would satisfy them. These suspicions reaching Mr. James Barry, of Chambersburg, father of deceased, he came to this place on last Monday and instituted an investigation, after which, being unsatisfied as to the cause of death, it was decided that the remains of his son should be exhumed and a post mortem held. Coroner W. W. Baxter, of Mt. Sterling, was then notified, and that officer fixed upon Thursday 12:30 o'clock as the time for said examination.

Early Thursday morning Dr. A. D. Six had the remains taken from the cemetery, near Chambersburg, and brought to this place, where they arrived shortly after 9 o'clock and placed in Reid's hall to await the examination.

After the examination of witnesses the hall was cleared and the post mortem, under the direction of Coroner Baxter, was proceeded with, Drs. Russell and Chas. Dearborn, of Mt. Sterling, and Dr. McCabe of this place, operating. The vital organs were all thoroughly examined and all found in a healthy state with the exception of the stomach which alone bore evidence of disease.

The stomach and liver of the deceased man was taken to Mt. Sterling where they were examined and the physicians report they found in the liver a great deal of poison also some in the stomach. Dr. McCabe then took the stomach and liver to Chicago where an examination of expert chemists was held, but as yet the jury has not decided on the case, and we cannot learn what the result of this examination amounted to. We will give further particulars in the future.

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May or may not be a success, but there is no denying the fact that

HYSINGER & GRAHAM,
—ARE—

NOW FLYING HIGH,

It is but another instance of the appreciation the public shows for service rendered and we always work for

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800 Styles Embroideries,
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100 BLACK EMBROIDERY SUITS,--CHEAP,

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Lace Curtains at 75c per pair,
50 styles of Carpet Samples for Rugs, to be closed out. Get prices.

LOOK OUT FOR NEW CLOTHING,

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Don't fail to see these goods, they will suit you as to quality and prices.

DON'T FAIL TO CALL AND SEE THE DISPLAY.

IT WILL INTEREST YOU.

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J. H. CARVER.

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—Lard, 7c.
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—Corn, 45c.
—Meal, 60c.
—Eggs, 15c.
—Flour, \$1.25.
—Butter, 12c.
—Bran, 70c. cwt.
—Coarse Feed, 90c. cwt.
—Shipstuffs, 90c. cwt.
—Hogs, \$3.25.
—Potatoes, \$1. to \$1.20.
—Sweet Potatoes, \$1.00.
—Mixed Feed, 75c. cwt.
—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
—Genuine spring weather this.

—The river at this point has not been blocked this season.

—The fish in the river at this point is said to be getting scarce.

—Mike Knowland was in Jacksonville last Saturday on business.

—Capt. C. C. Keener returned from his western trip last Saturday morning.

—Milo Ripley sold his residence to Mike Knowland last week. Consideration \$500.

—Mrs. Charlie Edmundson is slowly recovering, but is very weak.—Beardstown Star.

—Say, Frank, you are entirely too noisy at the parties. You had better look a "feeder out."

—Geo. Geiss and C. H. Purnell have purchased ten car load of twelve inch ice from a Chicago firm.

—Will Hauser is in the dog business. If you have any canines that you want disposed of take them to Will.

—Wm. Perry, of Versailles, late candidate for county clerk on the Union Labor ticket, was in town Saturday.

—N. Harris was called to Beardstown last week to attend the bedside of his father, who is not expected to live.

—The steamer D. H. Pike begins to loom up in her new dress. She will soon be ready to make her regular trips.

—We are prepared to execute horse and jack bills on short notice. Horse men call and see us and get prices and see cuts.

—Wm. Hauser, our enterprising ferryman, is repainting and otherwise getting his boats in trim for the spring hunting.

—Ab Armstrong drove his celebrated horse, Sleepy Dick, over from Bethel last Sunday afternoon. Ab. has a good horse.

—The Brown County Agricultural Society offer \$3,425 in her speed ring this year. The fair will be held Aug. 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11th.

—M. V. Martin and Cal. Hedlin, two of Versailles enterprising citizens, gave The News a call last Friday. Come again gentlemen.

I can save you money if you want to buy a sewing machine. Call and see me. A. E. RITSCHKE.

—Joel Ham, of Chambersburg, was in town last Saturday. While here he called at The News office and renewed his subscription.

—The Baylis Guide was six months old last week. It still presents a healthy appearance. Success to its enterprising editors.

Try our best grades of roast coffee, Acme, Climax and Eight Hour, put up three pound bags, at the Cheap Cash Store of M. E. Geiss.

—The Meredosias Gun club met one evening last week to make arrangements to shoot with the Nables gun club. We have not learned what day the match will take place.

—Dr. Frazer has on exhibition at his office a sample of the brick manufactured by the Thomas Press Brick Company, of Brussels, Ills. They undoubtedly make a fine brick.

—It is a pleasure to ride with W. P. Sheehan or Fred Konrad, the popular freight Conductors, of the Wabash. They keep their cabooses in first-class style—everything being clean and tidy. Their crew are gentlemen in every respect.

—There are quite a number of people in and around Meredosias that signified their intention of taking The News when we first started, but have failed to show up. Come in gentlemen and leave your names. We are giving you a good paper and we need your \$1.25.

—Miss Mary Cody was in Mt. Sterling Monday.

—Miss Ora Black made a flying visit to Bluffs Tuesday morning.

—Frank Wilson and Charlie Keal took in Griggsville last Sunday.

—J. M. Ward and wife, of Naples, was in Meredosias Friday trading.

—Bud Hale made a business trip to Mount Station Saturday afternoon.

—Jno. Thomas, of Naples, was visiting in our city a few days last week.

—Dan Weeks and little daughter, Carrie, of Jacksonville, visited in Meredosias last Saturday.

—Miss Nora Turner, who is employed at the Insane Hospital, Jacksonville, was visiting her parents last week.

—Do you want to know where you can get your horse bills printed the cheapest? Call at this office and inquire.

—Lou Harmel and Horace Fugate, two of Meredosias popular young men, went to Naples last Sunday to see their best girls.

—Miss Eva Hobson, of Chapin, who has just closed a successful term of school near the Locks, was visiting friends in our place last Monday.

—Our local horsemen should always remember we carry on hand the largest and best assortment of horse cuts, etc., at all times. Call on or address, The News Meredosias, Ill.

—G. W. Graham, Gus Graham and John Burrus, returned from a trip in southern states last Saturday. George lost a finger nail in the trip by the falling of a car window.

—It is reported that Mrs. Barry, the woman who is suspected of poisoning her husband, mention of which was made in The News last week, has skipped out, hit the high places, left for parts unknown.

—Jno. W. January, who was advertised to lecture here last Monday evening, failed to put in an appearance. He was booked for Beardstown for the same date. His advance agent must have been pretty well rattled while here.

—Mrs. Brackenbury, left for Naples last week where she will make her home in the future with her daughter, Mrs. Tom Burrus. We regret very much to lose Mrs. Brackenbury from our midst, but what is our loss is Naples gain.

—The dance at Einstman's hall last Saturday evening was very well attended, everything passing off pleasantly. Those in attendance report a good time. The ever popular Easton White, of Beardstown, furnished the music for the occasion.

—I think you are acting scandalous with that young man," whispered a Litchfield, Illinois, mother to her daughter on calling her from the dimly lighted parlor to the hall. "I've a right to, ma," she replied, "we were married on the sly last night."

—We understand that Mr. Knowland will tear down the building now occupied by him for a livery stable, and rebuild it on the rear of his lot recently purchased of Mr. Ripley, and the old shell that answers for a hotel and has stood out so prominently on main street for the past forty-one years will take its place. Wonder what they are going to use it for.

—On last Thursday afternoon A. J. Bearup, of Franklin, found the body of an infant babe in a well on his premises. The coroner was at once sent for and a jury impaneled. The case lasted several hours and the testimony of a number of witnesses taken after which the jury took the case and the result was that of a sealed verdict, read by the coroner. The affair has created quite a sensation in and around Franklin.

—Many years practice has given C. A. Snow & Co., Solicitors of Patents at Washington, D. C., unsurpassed success in obtaining patents for all classes of invention. They make a specialty of rejected cases and have secured allowance of many patents that had been previously rejected. Their advertisement in another column will be of interest to inventors, patentees, manufacturers, and all who have to do with patents.

—If your friends come to visit you don't wait for the editor to find it out the best way he can, but just call in and tell him about it or write it up yourself and send it in. If your children get sick, married, killed, or have any other dreadful calamity befall them, no one knows the details better than yourself, and that's what we want, you know. We are always pleased to have you drop in and help us out with our local column, and it is your duty to do all you can for your home paper.

Take your watch and clock repairing to D. Watt's, City Hotel.

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The late King Kalakaua had an income of \$50,000 a year, but he died comparatively poor. This might be made a text for an eloquent sermon on the wickedness of poker playing.

REV. SAM JONES may not have succeeded in "knocking heads out of the devil or the devil out of heads," as he proposed to do when he started out but he has knocked out a "five" mayor and a lot of free advertising.

If you will listen carefully you will hear the long lost "dull-and-bellow-thud" over Canada way directly. The thud will be supplied by the statesmen-Juluses who would sell their country. At the other end of the thud will be a foot. It will be kicking the thuddees.

The hopes of the thirsty politicians of Missouri have been dashed to the ground and the prospective beer mugs shattered. The house has positively refused to have a beer inspector for the state. The house is probably satisfied that its individual members can perform all the inspection necessary.

K. C. Times.

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THERE seems to be considerable an-
excitation talk in Canada this winter. Our larch strings are all out, neighbors come along whenever you get ready; will always be glad to welcome you. You can bring Sir John along, too, if, after due reflection, he should decide to come.

The country will pay more in pensions next year than it costs Russia and France to support their immense standing armies. And it is stoutly asserted that over forty per cent. of the vast expenditure is fraudulent. Bounty jumpers, deserters and confederate soldiers have been solicited by pension attorneys in Washington to make application for Uncle Sam's money.—N. Y. Herald.

A QUER case comes from Kansas. The elders of the United Brethren held a meeting at Abilene to decide whether they would let Bishop Engle preach any more or not. The only published charges against the bishop was that he recently failed in some real estate speculation. Not one word was said against his Christianity, kind heart and noble aims, but simply because he could not make real estate pay, the elders actually expelled him from the ministry, and gave as the reason, simply "indiscreet financiering."

HARPER'S WEEKLY of last week contains the following: "The comedy of errors is over. The noble army of a glorious country has retired from the scenes of its great victories over starving, ill armed and worse clad Indians; A few whittened bones will tell, when the hot copper hued skies of summer glare and glisten, where the ping of the bullet and shriek of the dying warrior broke the wintry silence of the plains. The world will wag just the same, though in their graves lie good men and true, whose lives were frittered away by a Jim-crow, spatter-brained government. The Indians, for a time will receive their proper rations from the same paternal government, and it's all serene! But out on the plains, high up on posts, as is the custom, are stretched out the corpses of men murdered by the government of this country. Men, whose hearts may have been red, but whose skulls were white. They, as any men would, objected to starvation, robbery and outrage. In their own wild way they protested. Poor fools! The Gatling and Hotchkiss answered."

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Death of Gen. Sherman.

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—"It is all over." It was Gen. Thomas Ewing who said these words to a group of anxious and waiting friends and reporters as they stood on the doorsteps of General Sherman's residence on West Seventy-first street a few minutes before two o'clock p. m. Death came slowly but easily and without pain. He passed away exactly at 1:50 p. m. All members of his immediate family were at his bedside at the time except his eldest son, Rev. Thomas E. Sherman, who is now on his way to this country from abroad on the steamer Majestic.

Grouped about him in his last moments were Senator John Sherman, the general's brother, his son, P. T., his daughters, Mrs. Fitch and Mrs. Thacker, and two unmarried ones, Misses Rachael and Lizzie, who lived with him. At the final moment there was an appreciable change in the appearance of the sufferer. Dr. Alexander, who had his hand on the general's breast, for he could not detect the heart beats in his pulse, was watching his face intently. He looked up quickly just ten minutes to two and told the grief stricken family that his patient had passed away.

The funeral arrangements have been placed in the hands of Generals Howard and Slocum. The funeral will be delayed until Thursday so that Father Thomas Sherman, who sailed on last Wednesday from Liverpool, may be here. The vessel is due here Wednesday. The body will be taken via the Twenty-third street ferry to Jersey City.

A special train on the Pennsylvania road will convey the body and all the members of the Sherman family to St. Louis where General Sherman will be buried beside his wife. Some two weeks ago the general made known his wishes as to his burial and he particularly requested that his body should not lie in state anywhere. He also requested that the burial be a strictly military one. He said that he did not care for any military observance here in New York but that he did want a military burial in St. Louis which would be participated in by his old comrades in arms. He also requested that the funeral rites should not be in any conformity with any particular form of religion. He wanted a soldier's burial.

Senator Sherman left the house early this afternoon and went to the house of Mrs. Colegate Hoyt, where he will remain until the departure for St. Louis.

At 8 o'clock this evening details of soldiers who are to guard the remains arrived at the general's state residence. The detail was under the command of Lieut. Rodman.

A DISCOVERY EQUAL TO KOCH'S
The Result of the Investigation of a Chicago Physician.
The stir caused by Koch's discovery has turned the attention of Americans from the noble work accomplished by American physicians and led us to forget that even greater results are being accomplished in our own midst in another disease equally as difficult to cure as consumption. Dr. L. D. McMichael, of Chicago, has for twenty-five years been at work on the development of a cure for that terrible and tenacious disease cancer, and has so far succeeded that he is enabled to save the lives of over eighty per cent. of those afflicted with the disease without using the knife, where formerly about 97 per cent. eventually died from return of the malady after having been operated upon with the knife. The doctor has published the results of his investigations in pamphlet form together with reports of cases cured within the past twenty years and anyone interested will be well repaid for the trouble of sending a postal card to his office, 180 Wabash Ave. for a copy. He bases his claim of having cured cases of genuine cancer upon the opinions expressed by prominent physicians in Chicago and other cities who have examined the cases and having verified their diagnosis by microscopical examination are in a position to judge of the merits of his treatment. The method is a complicated one and demands the personal daily attention of Dr. McMichael to each case at his private hospital which is crowded with patients from all parts of the country.

A gray-haired man, more than sixty years old, apparently a minister, knelt on the site of the world's fair buildings on the lake front and offered up a fervent prayer for the success of the exposition. The man was Rev. Douglas Miller and his home is at Munice, Ind. He prayed for fully half an hour for the success of the fair, after which he sang "All Hail the Power of Jesus."

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Name." He then delivered a speech to the crowd that had gathered around him telling them that he was a minister and that he had been sent by the head of his church to Chicago to see that the fair was conducted on religious principles. He also stated that the Lord had appeared to him in a vision and informed him that the end of the world would occur immediately after the close of the world's fair.

THE BARRY CASE.
The Analyses of His Stomach and Liver Show That He Was Poisoned.

Dr. A. A. McCabe, of Versailles, last Friday took the stomach of Charles Barry, supposed to have died from poisoning, to Chicago for analysis. The chemist reported as follows:

CHICAGO, February 11, 1891.—Dr. W. W. BAXTER, DEAN SMITH, I have gone far enough in the examination of the stomach and liver placed in my hands by Dr. A. A. McCabe on the 7th inst., to be able to report that I find distinct evidence of the presence of arsenic in both organs. The tests are very sharp and satisfactory. I am making now quantitative analysis of both organs. Thus far I have not been able to find arsenic in the bottle of medicine sent. Awaiting further instructions from you, I remain Very Respy., JOHN H. LONG.

It is reported that Lillie Barry, wife of the deceased, suddenly left the neighborhood one day this week. If the report be true it certainly lends color to the story of her guilt.—Mt. Sterling Democrat-Message.

A Problem.
The following problem has been going the rounds among some of the mathematicians. Thinking that it may interest some of our readers we publish it:

A man possessed of a large estate willed it as follows: One-third of the estate and \$5,000 to his wife; the same amount to his three sons and the rest of the estate to his two daughters. Upon the distribution of the estate each daughter received \$1,500 more than each son. What was the amount of the estate and how much did each receive.

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THE END CAME.

Death of General William T. Sherman in New York City.

The Nation Mourns the Patriotic and Gallant Soldier and All Mourn the Gentle Man Whom to Know was to Love.

New York, Feb. 15.—"It is all over." It was General Thomas Ewing who said these words to a group of anxious and waiting friends and reporters, as he stood bare-headed on the door-step of General Sherman's residence in West Seventy-first street, a few minutes before two o'clock yesterday afternoon. Within a few seconds the news had flashed over the wires to every part of the country. The old hero's long and stubborn fight with death was at an end, and he had been conquered at last.

Death came slowly, but easily and without pain, to the veteran of so many struggles. He passed away exactly at ten minutes to two o'clock.



General William Tecumseh Sherman.

All the members of his immediate family were gathered at his bedside the time except his eldest son, Rev. Thomas E. Sherman, the Jesuit priest, who is now on his way to this country from abroad on the steamer Majestic. Grouped about him in his last moments were John Sherman, the General's brother; his daughter, Mrs. F. Sherman; his daughter, Mrs. Fitch; and Mrs. Thackeray, the two unmarried sons, Miss Rachel and Miss Lizzie Sherman, who lived with him. There were also present his niece, Mrs. Colgate Hoyt, and her son; Lieutenant Fitch and Thackeray, General's sons-in-law; and Doctors Alexander and Green, who have attended him constantly during his last illness. They all had been watching by his dying bedside since the early hours of the morning, when they were first summoned from their beds at half-past five o'clock yesterday morning it was believed that he might die at any moment.

The dying General had been unconscious for several hours, and his fluttering pulse was so feeble that the several occasions it was almost impossible to tell whether he was living or not. His long struggle had completely exhausted him, and it was only his remarkable vitality and will power that enabled him to cling to life so long after all hope had been given up.

From time to time during the morning some of the family would leave the room, but only to be summoned back hastily when it was thought that the end was approaching. It was in those moments that he clung to the thread of life that remained for nearly five hours, when he became completely unconscious.

Dr. Alexander watched beside the General incessantly, observing the slightest changes in his pulse and breathing. After eleven o'clock it was expected that every moment would bring the end. The General's face appeared to send to all his friends and the officers of the Government at Washington as soon as dissolution occurred.

At the final moment there was no appreciable change in the appearance of the sufferer. He had been lying as one dead for several hours, and Dr. Alexander, who had his hand on the General's breast, he could not determine the heart-beats in his pulse, was watching his face intently. He looked up quietly at just ten minutes to two o'clock and told the grief-stricken family that his patient had passed away.

General Ewing immediately left the room and went down to the door to announce the fact to the representatives of the newspapers who had been watching the house anxiously for four days. He was visibly affected by his grief at the death of his old friend, and could say no more than to make the announcement that the General had passed away.

A few minutes after this Secretary Barrett came to the telephone office on Columbus avenue with a large batch of telegrams which were addressed to President Harrison, each of the members of his Cabinet, and to relatives and friends of the family at Washington and elsewhere. They contained the simple announcement that General Sherman had died at 1:50 p. m., and were most of them signed by Lieutenant Thackeray. Late yesterday afternoon General Ewing said that death ensued from the accumulation of mucus in the lungs. The General made an effort to throw it off, but had not the strength. He gave one convulsive gasp, and then he was dead.

Mr. Barrett was so completely prostrated by the sad event of the day that he could talk with no one, and he

hurried back to the house as soon as he had filed the dispatches. General Ewing was seen and said: "General Sherman's death was absolutely painless, for he was unconscious for several hours. His previous sufferings had worn him out completely, and we all expected that death would come much sooner than it did. For some time before he died he seemed to be breathing at all, and the aspirations became fainter and weaker until they gradually ceased altogether. The old General has shown a wonderful amount of will-power during his illness, and that alone has kept him alive for the last two days. As long as he was conscious he was determined to resist to the end, and if his physical power had been a little greater he might have won. As it was, the end came so easily that for a moment it was not possible to realize that it was over."

The funeral arrangements have been placed in the hands of General Howard and General Sherman. The funeral, it is stated, would be delayed until Thursday, so that Father Thomas Sherman, who sailed from Liverpool last Wednesday on the Majestic, may be present. The vessel is due next Wednesday. The body will be taken via the Twenty-third street ferry to Jersey City. A special train on the Pennsylvania road will convey the body and all the members of the Sherman family to St. Louis, where General Sherman will be buried beside his wife.

The following official statement of the scenes at the death-bed of General Sherman and the arrangements for the funeral was given out late yesterday afternoon by Lieutenant Fitch:

"General Sherman lay in bed from Friday morning until he died to-day without saying a word. He made the attempt to do so several times, but was unable to utter a single syllable. He apparently recognized those about him by a look of the eye. His tongue was swollen and his jaws were stiff some hours before he died. Signs of death were noticed half an hour before he died, in the icy coldness of his finger tips. The coldness gradually extended to his hands and arms. He was unconscious for the last two hours he was alive. No priest or clergyman was present, neither was any called. The General did not suffer any pain for the last two days. All night long he lay in bed with his head high, but towards morning he worked his head lower until at the last he lay perfectly flat. Death came so quietly that those at the bedside did not realize that the General was dead until Dr. Alexander said 'All is over.' Death came with one long sigh."

"Immediately after his death General Howard and General Sherman, who were on General Sherman's staff, were sent for. Some two weeks ago the General made known his wishes as to his burial. He particularly requested that his body should not lie in state anywhere. He also requested that the funeral be a strictly military one. He said that he did not care particularly for any military observances here in New York, but that he did want a military burial in St. Louis, which would be participated in by his old comrades in arms. He also requested that the funeral rites be not in conformity with any particular form of religion. He wanted a soldier's burial."

The body is now lying embalmed in the room where the General died. The features are natural with the exception of a slight swelling on the right jaw and under both eyes. The eyes are closed and the arms folded across the breast. In the house at the time death came, other than those in the death chamber, were Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hoyt and their son Alfred; Miss Mary Ewing and the wife of General Fitzpatrick. Senator Sherman left the house early in the afternoon and went to the house of Mrs. Colgate Hoyt, where he will remain until the departure for St. Louis. Over a thousand telegrams have been received from all over the country.

At eight o'clock last evening the detail of soldiers who are to guard the remains arrived at the General's late residence. The detail consisted of a corporal, two sergeants and six privates from Battery M, First United States artillery, stationed at Governor's Island. The detail was under the command of Lieutenant Rodman. Two soldiers were stationed at the door of the room where the body lay, two others were placed at the front door and the other four will act as a relief.

Biographical.

(William Tecumseh Sherman was born at Lancaster, O., February 8, 1820. He graduated at West Point in 1840, served in the Florida war in 1845-46, and in the Mexican war in 1847-48, when he went to California, and was acting assistant Adjutant General there till 1852. He was on command duty at St. Louis in 1852, and in New Orleans till September 1853, when he was assigned. From 1853 to 1857 he was a banker in San Francisco and New York, and in 1858-59 he practiced law in Leavenworth, Kas. He was superintendent of the Louisiana Military School at Alexandria from 1859 to January, 1861, when he went to St. Louis. On May 14, 1861, he was reappointed in the army with the rank of Colonel, and on the 15th he was made Brigadier-General of Volunteers; and he commanded a brigade in the first battle of Bull Run (July 21). In October he was appointed to the command of the Department of the Cumberland, but afterward took charge of a camp of instruction at St. Louis until February, 1862, when he was placed in command of the district of Paducah, Ky. He commanded a division in the Tennessee and Mississippi campaigns; was in the battle of Shiloh, April 6, 1862, where he was wounded;

was in the advance upon and siege of Corinth, April 15 to May 30, and was made Major-General of Volunteers May 1. He commanded the hastily-organized expedition to Vicksburg, 22-28. In 1863, in command of the Fifteenth Army Corps, he led the expedition which captured the city of Vicksburg, Mississippi, on July 4, and during the summer and autumn was engaged in various operations in the Mississippi valley. He commanded the left wing of the army at Chattanooga, November 23-25, and at the beginning of the campaign he was promoted to the rank of Major-General. In February, 1864, with 20,000 men, he marched to Meridian, Miss., and broke up the railroads entering there. He held the command of the Department of the Tennessee till March 12, when he took that of the military division of the Mississippi, composed of the departments of Ohio, Cumberland, Tennessee and Arkansas. Having organized at Chattanooga an army of 60,000 men, he invaded Georgia, engaging the Confederate forces under General J. E. Johnston, whom he forced to evacuate Georgia and retreat to the South. He followed Johnston to the Savannah river, and on the 21st he captured the city of Savannah. He then moved on to the city of Columbia, S. C., on February 17. He captured Savannah on March 1, and Fayetteville, S. C., on the 12th. On the 18th he fought the battle of Averysboro, and on the 20th and 21st he fought the battles of Bentonville and Goldsboro. On April 13 he occupied Raleigh, and on the 26th the Confederate army under General E. Johnston, after a series of battles, was evacuated from North Carolina. General Sherman occupied the city till the middle of August. In the night of September 1, Atlanta was evacuated by Hood, and General Sherman occupied the city till the middle of October. He then began his famous march to the sea. 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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

St. Mary's Farmers' Alliance, Hancock county, will erect an \$800 hall. A Macomb man paid four dollars dog tax and fifty cents personal, this year. A Pike County butcher who is charged with selling diseased meat has skipped.—Ex.

The Baylis public well is ninety feet deep, and an inexhaustible vein of water has been struck. "Grandma" Renshaw, of Baylis, who is over eighty years old, is now cutting her third set of teeth. So says the Guide.

An electric light plant will be established in Warsaw providing 500 incandescent lights, at one cent per hour, are subscribed for.

One Pike county man sues another for \$10,000 damages for defamation of character. Character comes high down in Pike.—Ex.

At the January meeting of the Augusta Building and Loan association, four loans amounting to \$1700, were made at a premium of 40c.

A Hancock farmer recently lost eleven head of cattle within a few hours, cause of death supposed to be from eating black root on corn stalks.

The sale of the Rushville Woolen mills by Mr. R. H. Griffith, receiver, occurred week before last. It originally cost \$149,000 and sold for \$4500.

The farmers of Hancock county are going to petition the Board of Supervisors for a bounty on wolf scalps, as they are getting so thick that hogs and sheep are being destroyed.

—The Quincy Exposition and Auditorium Association has been organized with a capital stock of \$600,000. Its object is to maintain and conduct an annual industrial, agricultural and art exhibition.

Rev. Wm. Green, of Alton, Illinois, came very near exploring the great unknown realm Sunday by taking a dose of poison by mistake. He tumbled an emetic into himself quick enough to stop the exploration.

A disease, in every way similar to that disease known as "pink eye" among horses, is afflicting the people of Augusta and is in a fair way to "take in" the school. So far no permanent injuries have resulted.

The body of Editor Joseph Freeman, of the Independence Progress, was yesterday found in a cornfield six miles east of Kansas City frozen stiff. It is supposed he jumped or fell from a moving train and was killed.

Doc Vanzandt and Art Higgins had a difference that they could not settle in any other way than by fistfight. They went out of town and agreed to fight it out. They had three rounds and Art brought his man down every time. No bones broken.—Perry Transcript.

Mary Burns, who recently threw vitriol in her seducer's face at Hannibal will not be tried for the offence, the grand jury having refused to indict her. That is to say, a man who is vile enough to dishonor a woman must make up his mind to take the consequences.

The Jacksonville city council has granted the Jacksonville railway company the right to operate their line by electricity. W. S. Hook, president of the company, has been working actively in regard to the matter and expects to put in the electric plant next spring.

Arthur Wright, a young farmer living near Carthage, has made affidavit that he recently saw the ghost of a dead neighbor, Lewis Barton, and held conversation with the apparition. Many people in the neighborhood are greatly excited over the matter, and take the young man's statement as absolutely true. Wright has evidently either been under the influence of liquor or his liver is sadly out of repair.

Fifteen years ago a \$100 bill disappeared from the cash drawer of the Second National bank of Monmouth and a customer, now deceased, was suspected of being overpaid. A few days ago a workman in dissecting an old customer, found the lost bank note in a mouse nest and the cloud on the dead man's name is lifted. The bill, which was issued by the Pittsburgh National bank, was not badly mutilated and will be readily redeemed.

The lines of the minister are not always cast in pleasant places. Rev. Humphrey, of New Hartford, has been accused of forging a note, and in consequence of the report his congregation ostracised him. He now brings suit against a gentleman and his wife, named Shaw, for defamation of character.

The Roadhouse Fair association is a new organization, with a capital stock of \$20,000. A beautiful plat of ground, consisting of 40 acres, has been bought for the use of the association. The track is now graded and wells are being dug for the use of stock. Speed races will be held there the coming summer.

The town of Ellisville, Fulton county, was swept from the face of the earth by fire last standing. Only three houses were left standing in the place. The town was a small one and there were no means to fight the fire. The citizens could but stand around and see their property destroyed. Ellisville was the oldest town in Fulton county and was surrounded with historical reminiscences.

There have been but two legal hangings in Adams county. The first occurred in 1834, the criminal was one Bennett, who was hung December 22, 1834, for the murder of Williams, or William Baker, or Baker Williams as he was sometimes called. The place of the execution was somewhere about the present corner of Vermont and Seventh streets, which at that time was all vacant ground. The exhibition was public and drew a great crowd from the surrounding country.

The militia of the town and county were called out and a procession formed, marching from the jail near the corner of Fifth and Maine, to the place of execution. The second hanging took place November, 1861, in the old jail yard near Fifth street, in the Parkhurst and Huffman stores. It was private, under the laws then and now existing. The culprit was one Cunningham, who had killed Ratcliff Harrison.—Clayton Enterprise.

From Versailles.

A. A. McCabe, wife and daughter, Sunday in Rushville.

S. J. Chenoweth, of Chapin, spent last Saturday in this place.

Miss Jennie Hume, of Perry, is visiting home folks this week.

L. C. Lancaster, of Mt. Sterling, was in this place last Thursday.

Wash Dawson, of Ripley, was in Versailles last Friday and Saturday.

A. Stinson and Jim Haley took a business trip to the county seat last Monday.

Miss America Herold, of Perry, is the guest of her friends here this week.

Mrs. M. E. Ravenscroft and daughter, Katie, are visiting in Griggsville this week.

C. W. McWane and wife left for Graham, Va., last week where they will reside in the future.

Rev. T. Bridges has been holding a meeting at the Union Baptist church near this place the past week.

Mr. W. Bickers and family moved to Pana, Ill., this week. J. M. Bickers will occupy the house vacated by them.

Miss Ida Seely, one of Rushville's beautiful and accomplished young ladies, is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. A. McCabe, of this place.

Joe Brady, a former resident of this place, but now one of the leading merchants of Cedarvale, Kans., was on our streets last Thursday.

A. C. Byram returned to Jacksonville Monday with his little daughter, Minnie, who is attending the Deaf and Dumb school at that place.

J. F. Hume has sold his farm to Abe Lewis. We learn that Frank has purchased the property known as the Brierton place and will move to town in a short time.

From Naples.

Mrs. Seldon's daughter and two children, of Kansas, are visiting here. Clem Lewis and family, from Decatur, spent Sunday with relatives here.

Miss Minnie Klanson is in Clayton on a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dodd.

Mr. F. Marden and Mr. Grundy spent Saturday in Winchester on business.

Miss Addie Hale came down from Jacksonville Wednesday to visit her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Leo spent Sunday with their daughter, Minnie, at Normal.

Mr. Digby, of Barry, visited his daughter, Miss Alice, our primary teacher, the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Broughton and children, of Minneapolis, Minn., are here visiting Mrs. P's. father, J. Linkins.

Executor's Notice.

Estate of Jesse Lake, deceased. The undersigned having been appointed Executor of the last will and testament of Jesse Lake, late of the county of Morgan and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Morgan county, at the court house in Jacksonville at the April term, A. D. 1891, of said court, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 20th day of January, A. D. 1891. HARMET LAKE, Executor.

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FIRE! FIRE! FIRE!

Meredosia's Biggest Blaze.

Nine Business Houses Destroyed Monday Morning.

All the South Side of Main Street from the Park to Keener & Pike's Grain Depot in Total Ruins.

By a most Valiant Effort the North Side of the Street is saved--

Carver's Plate Glass Store Front destroyed by the Heat.

The Origin of the fire not Known, but thought to be the work of an incendiary--Loss almost Fifty Thousand Dollars.

Monday morning about three o'clock as the citizens were reclining in the arms of the Sleepy God, Morpheus, a cry of fire and ringing of bells aroused all to the fact that the town was burning and it was soon discovered to be the south side of main street west of the park. Everybody rushed to the scene of action as soon as thoroughly awakened and all worked bravely to save everything they could. The flames had too good a start, however, to save much. When the fire reached Purnell's saloon a valiant effort was made to save the large dry goods and clothing establishment owned by Hy-singer & Graham, but alas, the lack of men made it impossible and ere long it, too, was mingled with the ruins of the other buildings. By the time the fire reached Keener & Pike's grain depot enough men had arrived to get it under control to some extent. The building was on fire several times, but by an almost superhuman effort on the part of the men it was extinguished. The women also worked heroically carrying tubs and buckets constantly and with untiring energy. The building occupied by Dr. Frazer was gutted of its contents and pulled down so it could be removed if Keener & Pike's building burned and the remaining buildings across the street on the south side saved.

Men were stationed on top of the buildings on the opposite side of the street to sweep the sparks which fell on them. All the plate glass in the front of J. H. Carver's store was shattered to pieces. Several times the heat was so intense that his store was on fire but by the coolness of his clerks and others serious damage was prevented. All the business men who carried no insurance had moved their goods to the street and some that had insurance did the same. The losses are as follows as far as we are able to determine at present: Hatcher, \$1,000 covered by insurance; Harris, \$1500 covered by insurance; Graham, \$20,000 covered by insurance; Keener & Pike, \$900, insurance \$17,000; Keener & Pike, \$500. Charlie Purnell and Newt Harris carried no insurance, consequently theirs was a total loss. Hy-singer & Graham's safe went thro' the fire and the insurance policies left within were in fair shape though scorched by Mr. Lewinson was owned by Henry Schaffer and was valued at \$1,000 and insured for \$500. All the business men were damaged more or less, and it is impos-

sible for us to give an exact estimate of the loss. The origin of the fire is unknown. Some seem to think it started from a fire in Lewinson's smoke house and some in Purnell's ice house, but it seems the prevailing opinion is that it was the work of a fire bug. Mrs. Yost, who lives just back of the burned district, was the first one to discover the fire, and we learn she first saw it in the ice house. A universal wall of sympathy goes up, but the loss is none the less. Nor was these thousands of dollars expended for self alone but benefited the community in which they were located. A temporary building is being put up by Messrs. Purnell, Ritscher and Lewinson, in which to conduct business. They will, in the near future, erect large business houses on the grounds.

NOTES.

H. S. Hysinger arrived on the afternoon freight Monday.

A. E. Ritscher succeeded in saving the most of his goods.

Julian Graham lost a gun in the fire for which he is now in mourning.

No accident occurred to any one during the burning of the buildings.

Harry Andre lost nearly all his clothing in Hysinger & Graham's store.

The clerks of the south side have a somewhat forlorn look since the fire.

John Nevill, our tonsorial artist, moved his entire outfit to the street.

D. H. Lolis, banker, had everything out of the bank building that could easily be moved.

The new buildings begin to show up and the merchants expect to be ready for business Saturday.

D. Webster, our postmaster got a Waterbury movement on himself and moved the postoffice.

Sixty-five hogs were consumed in Lewinson's butcher shop, besides his stock of beef, salt meats, etc.

Everything was carried out of the Keener & Pike's grain house in good shape before the fire reached it.

The men deserve much credit for stopping the fire where they did, as it seemed as nothing but providence could prevent the entire main street from burning.

D. Watts' jewelry store on the north side was transferred to the street. He was visiting home folks at Naples and knew nothing of the fire until his arrival on the 8:40 train Monday morning.

The News office was compelled to get a rush on itself as it was thought the fire could not be stopped before it reached our building. Our loss on stationary was considerable, but the machinery was damaged to no great extent.

Ir. Hick's Rival.

W. T. Foster, the Missouri valley weather prophet, makes the following hair raising prediction:

Thus was buried Gen. William
cuseh Sherman, one of the great
and most popular military chiefs
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It begins to look as though Canadian annexation might soon become a national issue in this country.

DEATH has been partial to the Fifty-first Congress, taking to date 11 Representatives and 1 Senator from its membership.

THE farmers organizations of Arkansas have now a single head, which seems to reverse the adage that "two heads are better than one."

"OLD MAN-AFRAID-OF-SILVER" is the name some people have given to ex-President Cleveland, and from all accounts it fits President Harrison equally as well.

MR. CLEVELAND has shown his hand on the financial question by writing a letter against free coinage. This will tell whether the tail will be able to wag the dog, or the dog the tail.

REPRESENTATIVE-ELECT JERRY Simpson who is in Washington, has not been very favorably impressed with the present House of Representatives. Nor have the other people of the country.

It may be positively stated now that Mr. Henry Watterson will have no "pull" with the administration of Gov. Hill, should the latter gentleman ever be fortunate enough to have an administration of the national kind.

AND now the negroes are threatening to boycott the World's Fair, because they are not represented in its management. This thing is getting monotonous. Isn't it about time for hard horse sense to take the reins, in order to save us from the ridicule of the entire world?

VERILY this is the age of paper. Experiments made by officials in the German army have demonstrated that a horse shoe made of layers of parchment paper cemented, and pressed together in a hydraulic press, is much more durable than an iron shoe.

THE time is rapidly approaching when a good many pinch-neck statesmen will bid a long and exceedingly reluctant farewell to the joys and sorrows of public life. The number worthy of even a passing regret may be counted upon the fingers of one hand, and there will then be fingers to spare.

MR. CLEVELAND and Mr. Harrison seem to occupy precisely the same position on silver legislation, and it now looks very much as if both of the old parties would nominate anti-silver men next year. In that case free coinage will have to select a standard-bearer of its own, if it expects to enter, the fight, which it unquestionably does.

A BILL to amend the laws relating to immigration and naturalization has been favorably reported to the House of Representatives. Some changes in the present laws are needed, but in view of the great importance of the subject and the nearness of adjournment it would perhaps be wise to postpone the matter until next session.

HEADLOCKS in Senatorial elections, which are very expensive to the States in which they occur, will never be heard of when United States Senators are elected by direct vote of the people, as they should be. Bribery and attempted bribery will also disappear, to say nothing of the general advantage of bringing the Senate nearer to the people.

THE leading table glassware manufacturers of Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia have organized a trust to be known as the United States Glass Company. More than one-third of the table ware factories of the country are in the combine, and it is expected the rest will join them as soon as the charter is granted. Upon the old law, table glassware was protected 35 and 40 per cent. Under the McKinley act, the duty is increased to 60 per cent. The McKinley law will prevent competition from abroad and the trust will regulate prices at home. Whenever a given industry forms a combination to bleed the people, the manufacturers should immediately be placed on the free list. It is the only way to break up these monopolies.

BANCHOFF, Windon, Porter, Sherman—as illustrious a quartette of Americans as ever crossed the mysterious river of death within the same short space of time, and representing in their personal careers the triumphs of peace and war to a marked extent. They have gone, but the honor of their accomplishments remains as a national heritage, and will for untold generations to come be held up as examples worthy of being emulated by American boys.

HERE'S another reason why ordinary people should oppose trusts: John E. Parsons, the New York lawyer, who organized the sugar trust, received what is thought to have been the largest fee ever paid to a lawyer in this country—\$400,000. Although this enormous sum came primarily out of the pockets of the sugar refiners, it will eventually have to be paid by the sugar consumers, and every reader of this paragraph will have to pay a portion of it.

THE eastern manufacturers will have a nice thing of it when the subsidized steamship lines get into operation. They'll ship their goods to the Southern and Central American states, and the corn burners of the west will go down into their pockets and pay the freight both on the outgoing and on the incoming trip. A great scheme is that which makes the western taxpayers pay the bills, while the eastern ship builders and owners pocket the profits. But it is exactly of the same order of jingoism as that which declares that national and individual prosperity can only be obtained through the maintenance of an oppressed system of public taxation.

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NOTICE.—The Publishers of this paper hold themselves responsible for any views that may be advanced by correspondents. To insure insertion communications must reach us not later than Tuesday noon. Correspondence solicited.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

Astoria boys have been flying kites all winter.

Pittsfield barbers have decided to do no more Sunday shaving.

A party of hunters in Hancock county killed 640 rabbits at three hunts.

Two young men of Colchester engaged in a prize fight for \$20 a side.

A Mormon revival is being held near Carthage, conducted by Joseph Smith, son of the old prophet Joseph.

The Young Men's Christian Association of Canton celebrated the first anniversary of the Association there a week ago Sunday.

Capt. Hanna, of Monmouth, had a fast horse killed Tuesday by stepping a harmless incandescent electric light wire which had fallen in the street.

There was baked trout in the Schell City, Vernon county, Mo., calaboose Monday night. John Trout, drunk, set it on fire and burned himself up.

Zell Thompson, of Blandinsville has perhaps the largest cow in the country. She measures 16 hands, 2 inches in height and although thin in flesh, weighs 1,870 pounds.

For several Sundays the editor of the Springfield State Register advised his readers to go to church. They went, but were disappointed in not finding the editor there.

Mrs. J. Egan, of Whitehall, is in the toils for defrauding the pension department. She has drawn a widow's pension for years and still has a husband and family.

Nauvoo has concluded to give up the project of having electric lights, owing to the fact that the 310 houses composing that burg are scattered over an area of three miles square.

Geo. W. Sturtevant, Jr., and others want to buy the Bushnell water works, agreeing to furnish water for the city, &c. The proposition was laid on the table by the city council, for consideration.

The family of Frank Kessler, living near Havana, were poisoned by eating potatoes, some of which had been exposed in the patch when Paris green was put on to kill the bugs. The family is now out of danger.

The burglars at Fairbury, Illinois, are still doing a good business. Within the past six weeks they have not made one failure, getting cash and goods each time with a certainty that has filled the town with such suspicion that everyone shadows his neighbor.

The postal authorities at the National Capitol have informed the mayor of Canton that if Canton will put her side-walks in first-class condition and number all houses, the free delivery services will be extended to that city in the spring. Canton will comply.

A young wife of Alton, who had just given birth to her first child, a 14-pound boy, got up from her bed when left alone, walked three blocks in her chamber robes to her mother's, and refused to return to her husband though an unpleasant word had never passed between them.

Augustine Perona, an Italian saloon-keeper of Springfield, Illinois, garnished the wages of Dominic Bartone, a brother dago, on a whiskey bill. Bartone, shot Perona four times while he was drawing the drinks for his murderer and his friends. Perona was worth \$75,000.

It is announced that Judge S. P. Hooper, of the supreme bench, and Miss Emily Shelby, of Springfield, are to marry shortly. Miss Shelby is the daughter of Paul Shelby, for years editor of the State Journal, and she has for many years been in charge of the state library at the capitol.

At Springfield Judge Allen in the United States district court last Thursday sentenced Lewis H. McClain to one year in the penitentiary at Chester. He is the man who pleaded guilty to sending an obscene letter to his wife, and who was arrested in Jacksonville.

The Roodhouse fair association is a new organization, with a capital stock of \$20,000. A beautiful plot of ground consisting of forty acres, has been purchased for the use of the association. The track is graded and wells are being dug for the use of stock. Speed races will be held their coming summer.

OF GENERAL INTEREST.

—Four millions of money are spent in London in three months in search of pleasure.

—Strawberry farming pays in England. From a single strawberry farm at Orlington the proprietor got 600 tons of fruit, an amount which, at four cents a pound, represents a turnover of more than \$45,000.

—Farmers in Fayette County, Pa., are alarmed over a peculiar disease prevailing among cattle, especially among calves. The trouble is first noticed in the stiffening of the joints of the fore legs, the whole body of the animal finally becoming useless.

—Two mechanics visited the Art Gallery a few days ago and stood before "The Angelus" in silence for a few minutes. "That's a fine picture," said one, "that's the real thing." "Yes, so it is," rejoined the other. "You can almost hear the whistle blow to quit work." Buffalo Courier.

—At the Mount Saint Bernard Monastery the Cistercian rule, only a shade less severe than that of La Trappe, is rigidly observed. From six p. m. until 5:30 a. m. is the great silence, which none may break save under grave necessity. One meal is eaten in winter and one and a half, as it is called, in summer, is the daily allowance.

—At the close of a fair in South Boston the other evening the unsold articles were offered at auction, and a round lot of cream pies was knocked down to a gentleman who seemed particularly anxious to get them. "My wife made these pies," he said, "and gave them to the fair; but as she never makes any of this quality except to give away, my only chance is to buy them." And then he sat down and consumed a couple in silence.—Boston Post.

—Italian bootblacks will soon monopolize the business of "shining" in this city, because, as a rule, they do much more satisfactory work than the native bootblacks, either white or colored, says the New York Tribune. In the first place, most of them will carefully scoop off the old blacking when they see it to be necessary without being asked. They spend fully twice as much time over a job as do their American rivals, and end up with oiling the soles and brushing your clothes, all for five cents.

—An authenticated case of a human nose that had been cut off being restored is told in a medical paper. Operations of the character are often heard of, but almost invariably the reports lack confirmation. The patient was a young man employed in a cotton mill, and the operation was performed by Dr. Kelley, of Griffin, Ga. The organ was cut clearly off by a rapid revolving belt, and had remained where it had fallen for about an hour. It was washed carefully and every antiseptic precaution used, and healed in the course of a week.

—The buzzard is not commonly reported as a particularly voracious or voracious bird so long as its would-be victim is alive. Nevertheless, it is reported from Georgia that some farm hands, trying to find whose was the pig they heard squealing in so agonized a way, actually found it in the top of a sweet gum tree, being eaten alive by a buzzard. They stoned the bird, and away it flew to another tree with the pig in its claws. Further investigation showed the buzzard had attacked a whole litter, carrying off the above one, and tearing three others almost to death.

—The illumination of one of the corridors in the Brwell Hotel, Chicago, affords a good illustration of some of the advantages of the electric light. The lamps are placed upon the walls and shine into the cells. They are not directly out of reach of the prisoners, but under the instant control of the keeper, who finds his labor materially lessened by having everything in full view. A very important consideration is the improved hygienic conditions which accompany the use of the electric light in prisons, where it is also said its cheerful glow has a distinctly beneficial effect on the prisoners.

—In a "fake" dime museum in New York one of the devices for roping in the unwary is an alleged fishing pond. You pay so much for trying your luck, and then in one of the many familiar ways you come out owing the museum a dollar or so, which, of course, you needn't pay unless you are greener than grass. Well, the other day a man who looked like a countryman, but wasn't, strayed into this place, and the fishing pond fair tackled him with: "Want to try your luck fishin', boss; only twenty-five cents." "No," was the response. "Guess you don't know what kind of fish you kin ketch, boss." "Oh yes, I do," was the quick reply. "Suckers are caught in that pond. Good-day."

—Some six months ago, says the Photographic News, a man was found dead in bed in a common lodging house in Southwark. The body was photographed by the police, and buried as usual. About a month ago a woman whose husband has been missing for twelve months, was shown the photograph at Scotland Yard, and identified it as being the portrait of her husband, who was insured for £17. She made an affidavit, obtained the money, put on widow's weeds, and mourned her husband as dead. About a fortnight since she was startled by her husband—who had been to America—reappearing, and it is only fair to the widow to say that she at once recognized him and received him in the most affectionate manner. The most disagreeable part of the business will probably be the returning of the £17.

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DAN PORTER.

Who Was Under Sentence of Death in the Quincy Jail, is at Large—He Escaped Last Night.

(From Mondays Journal.)

This town was profoundly stirred last night at 10 o'clock by the report that Dan Porter, the negro under sentence of death for the murder of Ed. Smith, had escaped from the county jail. Many, when they first heard the report, could not believe it to be true. But those who took the trouble to investigate at the sheriff's office learned that it was an accomplished fact.

The true, unstuffed story of Porter's escape is here told: Porter was not kept in solitary confinement during the day. He had the run of the south corridor or hall, in front of the cells on the south side of the court house. Most of the day yesterday Porter spent at the east window in the hall way reading and writing. The sheriff was not ordered by the court to keep Porter in solitary confinement, and put on a death watch, so he did not do so. At 7 o'clock Sheriff Vancil and Awerkamp locked the prisoners in their cells, Porter with the rest. After Porter was locked in his cell he went to playing on his harmonica, or mouth organ.

After locking the prisoners in their cells Vancil went to his own rooms and Awerkamp left the building. From the time Vancil locked the prisoners in their cells until after Porter's escape, Vancil was the only officer about the building. He staid in his own rooms until 9:15. Then he went back into the jailer's room, locked the door behind him, and went from the jailer's room into the hallway in front of the south row of cells, locking the door behind him, as he went in. He went in to see if every thing was all right, and found it so as he supposed. He came out, and locked the doors behind him as he came out. This was at 9:15.

He went to his own room then and prepared to take a bath. He took off all of his clothing except his undershirt and drawers, took his clean underwear in his hand and went into the bathroom, which is in the southeast corner of the building. He lighted a tub which is enclosed in one corner of the room with a portion of matched flooring about seven feet high) to turn on the water. He did so, and as he raised up, the muzzles of two glistening revolvers were shoved in his face. The man who held them had been partly concealed under some old dudds that were hanging on the wooden partition at the head of the bath tub. The water is turned on at the foot.

Vancil threw up his hands and ran yelling to his own rooms, the armed man after him. When he passed through the door that leads into the hall way that his own living rooms open into he stopped, closed the door and braced himself against it. By this time his wife, who was in her night clothes, joined him. The armed man crowded against the door, getting a crack of it open and pushing a pistol through the crack. The wood on the door and door-jam is broken where the pistol was crowded through. The pistol was withdrawn, the pressure taken from the inside of the door, and Vancil and wife thought that the armed man had gone around to get in to their rooms by the way of the dining-room door. They thought that the armed man wanted to kill the sheriff. They ran to the dining-room door and braced themselves against that. But the armed man came not.

It was several minutes before Vancil got dressed and it was 9:40 when he notified the police. Vancil says that the man who chased him was as black as a coal. He did not think of its being Porter.

When Porter pulled his pistol back toward the room where the bath tub is, pulled down the top of the big window, bent three of the iron bars that form the grating, by taking hold of them at the top and pulling them toward him, crawled through the opening thus made, and dropped on to his feet in the snow outside of the window. Three or four steps in a southwesterly direction brought him to the iron railing that encloses the open space south of the court house yard. He left in his stocking feet, carrying his shoes in his hand. He had removed his shoes in the jail so that he could move about without making a noise.

Vancil says that he notified the police at 9:40. He telegraphed in all directions and sent out three detectives. The police turned out at once, and so did hundreds of other men. Vancil says that between three and four hundred men were out during the night. It will take good work to catch the man. He is smart and nifty. The telegraph will hardly get him. How did Porter get away? Well, let us see.

Wooden keys, made of hard maple, unlocked the cell door and the door leading out of his corridor. Vancil does not know how he opened the door that leads to the jailer's room or the door leading from it. Both are heavy, barred iron doors. Nor does Vancil know where Porter was when he (Vancil) went into the jail at 9:15. He says that when he was in the jail Porter may have been in the jailer's room hiding in the jailer's closet. The closet was a cosy hiding place for him. But, then, how did he get through the two doors? Vancil says that he locked both of them when he went into the jail.

Either Vancil is mistaken when he says that he locked the two doors to the jailer's room, or Porter had keys to these two doors. No keys to these two doors were found. The keys to the other two doors were found. When the escape was discovered every door that Porter had to pass thro' was found locked.

The keys that Porter left were made of a flat piece of hard maple five-eighths of an inch wide, a quarter of an inch thick and six inches long. A key was cut on each end.

Then the brass side of a harmonica about four inches long was turned up at one end so that the end stands at a right angle to the rest of the piece. It was turned up end of this brass the wooden key piece was firmly tied with a string. The brass piece was securely fastened to the flattened end of a feather duster handle. It was vivetted on quite securely. The key then lay at right angles to the feather duster handle, the whole contrivance forming a piece something like a letter T. He had to run his hands thro' the bars of his cell door, insert the key in the lock and then turn the key with the aid of the long handle until the lock was slipped. After getting out he locked the door behind him.

He got through the door that let him out of the corridor in the same way, only he had to use the other end of his key piece, for a key, mind you, was cut on each end of the little multiple stick.

Akers, the jailer does not sleep in the jail. He was sick yesterday and was not at the jail. Barry, Akers' assistant, was in the country with his sick father. Elmer Vancil, the sheriff's son, was out in town with his sister, Elva. They got home shortly after Porter chased their father out of the bath room. They went into the upstairs office, and Miss Elva was in the room when Porter dropped him-self out of the window, climbed over the iron railing outside and ran west. Young Vancil was then down stairs with his father.

Sheriff Vancil did not dream that the man who chased him was Porter. His pursuer was black as a coal. Porter is a light mulatto. Vancil thought that it was a negro who had come to help get Porter out. He thought they wanted to get him and force him to release Porter.

It is thought Porter blackened himself with ink. A rag soaked in ink was found in his cell.

Porter got two revolvers in the jailer's room, where they lay conveniently for his use. One is a 38 calibre and the other is a 42. They are heavy pistols and will doubtless do first-class work in the hands of a desperate, nery man. Porter got a razor also out of the jailer's office—and for aught the world knows he may have a bottle of vitrol on top of that.

One thing is sure—Dan Porter is armed to the teeth, and he may be depended upon to sell his life at the highest possible price. He is a man of tremendous nerve, and is desperate to the last degree. The man who stops him will get a bullet for his pains. There will be a tragedy the next time Porter is arrested—unless, by some singular accident, they can come upon him unawares. Nor is he now tearing up bits of green cloth, dropping them as he runs, to blaze the way to his hiding place. Porter is sober now—and the halter hangs just above his head. It is a fight for life with him, and he will make the most of it, We doubt if he is ever hung, because, if cornered we do not believe that he will surrender. Time will tell.

The following is Porter's speech before his sentence was pronounced on Feb. 23d:

PORTER'S SPEECH. I have this to say, your honor, I am not guilty of the crime for which I am to be sentenced. Why, the very words, "sentence of death," seems to me to be a mockery. I know that I did not have a fair trial. I know that there were witnesses who perjured themselves on the witness stand.

"I say to you that the jury was both unfair and prejudiced. Further than that, the witnesses, or some of them, were also unfair and prejudiced. Not only that, but some of them lied!" "I might say a good deal, but I do not think it would have any bearing on the court. I do not blame the court in any way for anything that he has done in my case."

"I know that some of the witnesses notably the man Perkins, lied on the witness stand. The man committed perjury. A premium was put on perjury in his case. He was jailed and given to understand he was in a bad fix. He was made to know something and swear to it." (The man's voice was raised to a high pitch as he spoke these words, and he gesticured with his manacled hands.)

At the whispered suggestion of Mr. Berger he referred to the testimony of Kate Walker's testimony as follows: "The one witness who was true to me, who knew the truth and dared to speak it, was sent to the penitentiary for perjury in the only testimony that could have saved me from the oblation of circumstances that surrounded me. I say that this was wrong and unfair."

"I suppose that somebody must hang for this crime. That is the law and public sentiment demands it. The people of this city demand that some one should suffer death. In me they have a good victim. I am a stranger among them, a man without friends or money. I am alone and helpless."

"I say to you that I wish I could reach down into this vortex of crime and mystery and lift the veil that surrounds this crime. I

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Some one declares electricity is only in its infancy. If that be true we do not care to see any of its manifestations when it becomes a full grown adult.—Ex.

SIXTEEN workmen's clubs or associations, some Catholics, others without any religious profession, but all distinctly anti-Socialist, have joined together in Ghent, to form a Workmen's Anti Socialist League.

As the springtime approaches it is quite clear that there will be no need of screen doors for the Mt. Carmel flying machine. Floating in a sea of melted newspaper taffy and yet there are no flies on it.—Ex.

THE member who introduced the measure in the Missouri house to prevent women from holding offices is from way up in Scotland county on the Iowa border. His bill reads as if its author might be a "chilly old man".—K. C. Star.

A KANSAS victim writes the following to his friends back east: "This is indeed a wonderful country. Every hamlet is a town and every town a city, every farm a ranch, every barn yard a corral, every mound a mountain and every man a liar."

SOME pessimist looks upon life after this fashion: "The first man was duped; the first woman deceived her husband and the first child born into the world killed his brother. Such was the origin of the human family, yet some profess surprise that humanity is weak and frail."—

ONE of the latest fads among society young men in the East is memory pillow. It is made of beautifully colored silk, and has a pocket into which the masher places all notes received from his sweethearts. He then proceeds to dream on the day's receipts, and the fair one most prominent in his dream is to be his wife.

MRS. MARY YOUNG, of Newark, is an estimable but rather too sensitive lady who because her husband went upon a spree, dosed herself with paris green. It is to be hoped that this super-sensitiveness will not spread. If it does, paris green will have to go on the free list. This country can never supply the demand which will arise.

AUSTIN W. PARK, a prominent resident of Norwich, Conn., while attempting to board a moving train the other morning, fell and was caught on the brake beam. He was dragged a distance of 150 feet out on the trestle over the Yantic river, where he lost his hold and fell through the trestle into the water thirty feet below. He was rescued and found to be uninjured, but suffered somewhat from the shock. Now what foot-ball association will bid highest for Mr. Park's service?

THE Catholic University in Washington is to be the center of a great educational body composed of many of the religious orders of the Catholic church. The Paulist Fathers of New York have a house of studies on the university grounds. Their students attend the university. Now the Dominicans have bought property near the university, on which they are going to erect a house of studies. The Marist Fathers and the Lazarist Fathers are making arrangements to follow the example of the Paulists and Dominicans.

ON April 1st the price of standard A sugar, which now sells for from 62 cents to 7 cents per pound, will be reduced to 5 cents per pound. This reduction, which will be brought about by the new tariff law, will save to the people of Illinois alone between \$2,000,000 and \$4,000,000 annually. Yet we are told by the Democrats that the American people are opposed to the tariff bill. Before the end of another year this law will be the most popular measure ever placed on the statute books.—Ex.

THE FAIR BUILDINGS.

The lake front at Chicago would have been the most desirable of all the city's sites for the World's Fair for beauty and coolness, but as there is not enough of it for all the buildings of the Exposition it is well that it has been abandoned. Chicago, the country and the visitors to the Fair will all eventually be glad that the buildings are not separated.

It is announced that a tower "eleven hundred feet high" is to be constructed. It is to be regretted that Chicago intends to be imitative. It has certainly enough talent, and even genius or except to imitate the Eiffel tower which was an attraction at the Paris Exposition. At the height of eleven hundred feet one may probably get above the dense cloud of soft-coal smoke that hangs over the city and limits the view to a dozen blocks, but even then the cloud would lie between the observer and the city and lake.

There would be little of interest to be seen in the neighborhood of Chicago. At the best there is only a flat stretch of prairie and of water. There is, therefore, nothing in the local conditions calling for a tower, and its construction will be simply a waste of money that might be used to a better advantage.

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MEREDOSIA AND VICINITY.

—Lard, 7c.
—Oats, 45c.
—Corn, 45c.
—Meal, 60c.
—Eggs, 18c.
—Wheat, 85c.
—Flour, \$1.25.
—Butter, 12c.
—Bran, 70c. cwt.
—Coarse Feed, 90c. cwt.
—Shipstuf, 90c. cwt.
—Hogs, \$3.25.
—Sweet Potatoes, \$1.00.
—Mixed Feed, 75c. cwt.
—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
Subscribe for THE NEWS.

—L. A. Martin, of Versailles, was in town Monday.

—Old papers for sale at this office at 35 cents per hundred.

—A. J. Wilson, of Griggsville, is visiting at Stafford Smith's.

Take your watch and clock repairing to D. Watt's, City Hotel.

—James Nevill, of Germantown, has been visiting his family the past week.

Don't you forget it! We guarantee satisfaction or no pay at the Renovator.

—Miss Jessie McKennell, of Beardstown, is visiting the family of Chas. Heinz.

—D. Watts has moved his jewelry store to the east end of the Leslie building.

Best bologna, wiener wurst, pork sausage and even family groceries at Lewinson's.

Five hundred pounds of feathers wanted, at the Renovator. Highest market price for old and new.

—Mr. Rosenthal, of Humboldt, Kan., partner in the Kansas store of Hysinger & Rosenthal, was here on business last Friday.

—John Nevill purchased the lumber in the building pulled down during the fire last week and will convert it into chicken coops.

Try our best grades of roast coffee. Acme, Climax and Eight Hour, put up three pound bags, at the Cheap Cash Store of M. E. Geiss.

—The St. Louis, Naples and Peoria Packet company will begin running their steamers March 10th. See their time card in this issue.

—W. D. Watts, of Naples, came up Friday and had us do some job work for him. W. D. is a prosperous wholesale shipper of fish of that place.

—J. W. Ransom has opened up a restaurant and lunch counter in the Leslie building on the north side main street. See his card in this issue.

—The dude is in trouble. Here is almost springtime come and no man milliner is indicating to him what he is to wear next year instead of that sash and those russet shoes.

—A Missouri weekly paper recently indulged in some critical remarks about Shakespeare and a farmer named John Shakespeare, thinking the family insulted, came to town and gave the editor a thrashing.

—The Atchison Globe says: "Beware of the man who smiles with his mouth alone. There is one in Atchison whose lips spread into an enchanting smile, but whose eyes never change. A man of that order needs watching."

—A fifteen months old daughter of Henry and Mrs. Eller, died Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, of brain fever. The remains were interred in the Hodge cemetery Sunday. It was the only child and the blow is hard for Mr. and Mrs. Eller. They have the sympathy of the entire community in this their sad bereavement.

—The following will show the weak point in the "drop-a-nickel-in-the-slot-machine," as well as the ingenuity of the American youth: "An ingenious youth in Iowa tied a thread to a nickel, dropped the nickel in a slot machine, got what he wanted, then withdrew the operation until he had made a clean sweep of the receptacle's contents. He was arrested on a charge of theft, but the judge who tried him held that he had committed neither burglary, larceny nor robbery, nor even obtained money under false pretenses. He merely did what the inscription told him to do—dropped a nickel in the slot—and had kept on doing it. Nothing was said about leaving the coin where it was dropped. This decision will probably abate a nuisance."

—John Kratz is in St. Louis.

—A. E. Ritscher was in Springfield Tuesday on business.

—The hunters have been slaying the ducks in large quantities.

—Dr. Six and Jos. Hume, of Brown county, were trading here Tuesday.

—Gus Graham, Henry Geiss and Jno. Burrus had business in Jacksonville one evening last week.

—Dr. Nevill has moved his office to the building just opposite the bank and back of M. E. Geiss' store.

—T. K. Ball, the feather renovator, has moved his family here and occupies the house south of Ed Geiss'.

I can save you money if you want to buy a sewing machine. Call and see me. A. E. RITSCHER.

—Do you want to know where you can get your horse bills printed the cheapest? Call at this office and inquire.

—We are prepared to execute horse and jack bills on short notice. Horse men call and see us and get prices and see cuts.

A famine is worse than a fire. Therefore Lewinson has to hustle around to sell goods cheaper than ever to keep the wolf from the door.

Remember, ladies, that the only article about your house that you can't clean is your feathers. Have them cleaned at the Renovator.

Meat was at a premium a day after the fire, and as soon as Lewinson commenced it took a tumble. Lewinson sells meat cheaper than ever.

—H. C. Montgomery, superintendent of schools, was visiting the schools here Tuesday. He has many warm friends here who are always glad to see him.

—The Farmer's and Trader's Bank is now doing an immense business. Mr. Lollis, the cashier, informs us they have been handling \$50,000 on an average per day for the past week.

—G. W. Riley, county surveyor, was called here last Thursday to survey off ten feet of ground which Dr. Ray had purchased from J. H. Carver adjoining the property where the new hotel is to be built.

—Chas. Purnell will have his saloon open and ready for business to-day (Thursday). He has moved his saloon from Naples to this place. He speaks the patronage of all his old customers, and all new ones who wish to try his new brands of fine liquors.

—Mrs. Eliza Edmundson, wife of our friend and fellow-townsmen, Julius Edmundson, has purchased the house and lots known as the Joe Hauser property in block 35, lot 9, of Thomas McAllister. She purchased the property to rent and as it is situated in a very desirable part of town she can always find a ready tenant.

—T. K. Ball & Son, who have been operating a feather renovator here for the past six weeks, have concluded to discontinue work in Roodhouse, and will soon leave for some point in Pike county. What work they did for our people has proven entirely satisfactory. They are clever, reliable business men and have fulfilled their contracts to the letter.—Roodhouse Eye.

—Winchester Standard: "Eugene Freeman returned to his home in Meredosia on Tuesday after a pleasant visit of one week among friends here. Of course the boys were glad to see him, but the girls—oh no—of 'There was either quite a mistake in last week's paper or where in the world was the 'wife.' Gene?"

—Friends have received a telegram announcing the death of Miss Susie Lake, daughter of Mrs. Susan A. Lake, at Webb City, Mo. The deceased has many warm friends in this place who will deeply mourn her loss, her mother formerly conducting the City Hotel. They left this place about three years ago and took up their residence in Webb City where they have resided since.

—The poet is abroad still in the land and he tackles the pumpkin in the following interesting manner: "How dear to our heart is the old yellow pumpkin when the orchards are barren of stuffing for pies, when peaches and apples have both been a failure, and berries of no kind have greeted our eyes. How fondly we turn to the fruit of the cornfield, the fruit that our children are taught to despise; the old yellow pumpkin, the mud covered pumpkin, the big belled pumpkin that makes such good pies. Oh golden-hued pumpkin, you surely are 'in it,' you jolly old rascal, so recently spurned; we beg forgiveness for thus having wronged you, when from your dear presence we scornfully turned. Come rolling down hill till we meet you, your bulk is a feast to our fruit hungry eyes; we love old pumpkin, so well we could eat you, for you are a dandy, when, made into pies."

A Card.
Some unscrupulous fellow blowed around that the fire started in my smoke house. All I have to say to that party is that he is not anything ahead as my credit is as good as I ever was, and I can match nickles with them yet even if I don't draw a pension.
M. S. LEWINSOHN.

The St. Louis, Naples and Peoria Packet Company.

The steamer D. H. Pike, will leave Meredosia going south, Tuesday, March 10th, at 9 a. m. Will return to Meredosia, leaving St. Louis Wednesday, March 11th. Will leave Meredosia Thursday, March 12th at noon going south. Will leave St. Louis Saturday, March 14th, for Peoria, making regularly two trips per week thereafter. Leaving St. Louis Wednesdays and Saturdays at 4 p. m. Leaving Peoria going south Thursdays at 10 p. m., and Mondays at 4 p. m.
C. C. KEENEY, Pres.

Communicated:
Last Saturday there was a meeting at the establishment of D. Watts, evidently for the purpose of organizing some sort of a secret society, there seemed to be a debate in progress as to the advisability of our merchants advertising through the medium of picture cards, a few samples of these being before the society. After a lengthy discussion a committee was appointed to procure refreshments, they being under the impression that the price of candy had been effected by the McKinley bill they tried to purchase a dime's worth of this article for three cents. After discussing the merits of some chewing gum which was kindly presented by an obliging clerk the society adjourned to meet at some future time.
ANON.

From Versailles.
Sleighriding was indulged in by some of the citizens Sunday.

Chas. Leeper has been making his folks a visit this week.

Jno. McCoy entertained a number of his friends at his home Saturday night.

L. A. Martin, traveling agent for a book firm, left for a tour through Illinois Monday morning.

Mrs. Dean Martin, of Mead Center, Kan., is attending the bedside of her brother, J. R. Reid, who is very low.

One of the mules belonging to W. H. Vandeverter, which was bitten by a rabid dog some time ago died last week from the effects of the bite.

Martha, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Rowland, died Saturday night at 10 o'clock. She has been sick some time with spine disease.

C. W. Wainman and Andy Boss, of Rushville, visited their families Sunday. We are informed Andy will move his family to that place this week.

Elder Bridges, of the Christian church, will move his family to Hazel Dell, where he has been given the pastorage of the churches at that place and Ripley.

Mrs. Addie Burgess, wife of T. H. Burgess, died at the family residence last Thursday morning at 4 o'clock. The funeral was preached at the residence from where a large number of friends followed to the new cemetery where the remains were laid to rest.

FROM ANOTHER.
Miss Julia Glaze was in Mt. Sterling last Saturday.

Charlie Allen, of Oakwood, Mo., is visiting in Versailles.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Clark, of Rushville, are the guest of J. P. Hartman.

John Briggs, of Mt. Sterling, spent Sunday with his uncle J. R. Briggs.

Miss Rena Thompson, of Schuyler county is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. C. Rowland.

Mrs. Kerr and nephew, Frank Crow, of Paris Mo., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Kerr and family.

Mrs. F. C. Lancaster, of Mt. Sterling, attended the funeral of Mrs. Addie Burgess here Friday.

Will Glaze, who has been gone for the past three years, is visiting his parents and relatives in town.

John Walsh, who has been living on J. C. Hefflin's farm, has moved to town and is living in part of the house vacated by Mr. Bickers. Mr. Hefflin will return to his farm.

Mr. Gaut, of Mt. Sterling, and Mr. Summy exchanged places last week and Mr. Gaut and family are now residents of Versailles.

Mrs. Barry and her mother were indicted by the grand jury for murder at the term of court last week, but, as they were not ready for trial, the trial will not be held until June.

From Bluff Spring.
Bluff Spring is booming.
Clark Bros. will deliver their corn Monday.

Farmers are hauling and delivering lots of grain.

Wm. Coleman shipped three cars of hogs Tuesday.

A. W. Blom visited his father Friday and Saturday.

Charles Dunn delivered his corn to Shultz, Baujan & Co.

The Bluff Spring market is as follows: Wheat, 90c; corn, 40c; oats, 50c; rye, 65c; butter, 15c; eggs, 10c.

The Farmers' Alliance gave an oyster supper at this place last Friday night. A large attendance was reported. Net proceeds \$19.50.

Lewis Jacques and R. Juckett will supply the market with furs and game as they are soon to go on a hunting and trapping expedition.

Some of the boys claim they did not get but one oyster at the Alliance supper Friday night. If this is the case we want no more Farmers' Alliance.

From Naples.
Mrs. Dr. Mauck is on the sick list.

Mrs. Charles Critzer, of Chicago, is here visiting friends and relatives.

Meetings have begun at the Christian church. Mr. Sharples, of Perry, will assist in the meetings.

There will be a necktie festival next Thursday evening, in Hatfield's Hall, given by the Christian church. Everybody invited to come.

Mrs. Nellie Hatfield starts for Hot Springs Arkansas, Tuesday morning. She expects to be gone four or five weeks.

The Loyal Temperance Legion gave an entertainment at the M. E. church last Thursday evening. A very good programme was carried out, and enjoyed by all present.

Mrs. John Quinlan has returned from her southern trip, which she enjoyed very much. Mr. Quinlan's mother has just returned from Decatur, where she has been visiting daughter and son.

SUICIDE AT CHAPIN.

Levia Whited, a Cooperstown Girl, Takes a Teaspoonful of Strichnine and Ends her Life.

Monday evening a young girl named Levia Whited, living with the family of J. T. Taylor, near Chapin, took a teaspoonful of strichnine. Mr. Taylor testified that his son was going up stairs and found Miss Whited lying on the floor in terrible agony, and called to his father to come to his assistance. When Mr. Taylor got upstairs he said he asked her what she had done and she replied that she had taken a dose of strichnine that she had found in his desk. Mr. Taylor testified that he had bought the poison to give some dogs several years ago, but did not use it. He said he noticed some time ago that the bottle was empty but thought nothing of it, at the time. The girl left a letter to her mother who lives near Cooperstown. Brown county, which ran as follows:

"Dear Mother—Oh could you but be here now. I feel that I cannot last much longer. I have stayed away from home so that you will not miss me so much when I am gone. Dear mother, you are all that has kept me here this long. I thought day after day and week after week I would take my life, but I have tried to tough it out just as long as I could so as to have money to pay the expense. I have almost \$30, which will buy a cheap coffin and other things I may need. Bury me in my white dress."

FOR SALE.
One lay mare,

THE MEREDOSIA NEWS

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MEREDOSIA, ILLINOIS.

JOHN WESLEY died March 2, 1791, and the Wesleyans throughout the world have made extensive preparations to observe the centenary of the event, more particularly in England, where a splendid bronze statue is to be unveiled.

It is a great pity that so many people have invaded the Cherokee outlet for purposes of settlement, as they will be obliged to vacate; and it is a still greater pity that congress has not taken such action as would give them the right to remain there.

The direct tax bill, which has agitated congress at various times for many years, has been passed by the house, and is now likely to become a law. The vote in support of the measure was rather larger than was expected, the yeas being 174 and the nays 101.

The Tories of Canada now realize that they are not going to have a walk-over in the parliamentary race. Apparently the political tide is turning against them. The elections, they are now conceding, will be close. Meanwhile the liberals are showing more activity and confidence than they at first displayed.

AGAIN the matter of pay for members of parliament is to become a question of practical politics in Great Britain. According to a prominent member of the liberal party nearly the whole of that organization is in favor of regular salaries for the imperial law-makers, and a movement in that direction is about to begin.

In the North Dakota house of representatives majority and minority reports were recently presented on a bill prohibiting prize fighting, boxing, etc. The majority favored the bill, but the minority report was adopted, the argument being that the legislature was attempting to deprive the people of all kinds of luxury and amusements.

A MOVEMENT is in progress in St. Louis for the erection of a monument to the late General Sherman. The project is made to surmount with an equestrian statue a pedestal already arranged for in front of the new city hall in course of construction. Though not formally called for, a subscription has already been sent in from Arkansas to start the fund.

A RESOLUTION inviting the western states to participate in a commercial congress for the consideration of economic questions affecting western interests has been passed by the Kansas legislature, receiving the votes of republicans, democrats and alliance men alike. It has been decided to hold a congress in Kansas City on the 15th of April, the meeting to continue one week.

ETERNAL vigilance would seem to be not only the duty of the legislature, but also of the executive, in the Michigan legislature. Ten republicans absented themselves to attend a party convention in a neighboring city, and during their absence the democrats, temporarily in the ascendant, unseated two republicans and replaced them with democratic contestants.

A BILL has been introduced in the Indiana legislature to discourage white capitalism. It provides that any person who is damaged or injured by white caps may recover damages from the county in which the act occurs. In case a man is whipped, he shall receive damages of not less than \$5,000 nor more than \$8,000, and a woman who is whipped by white caps may recover from \$5,000 to \$10,000 damages.

ALL of Emperor William's endeavors to bridge over the bloody chasm between Germany and France have suddenly come to naught by the anti-German sentiment which has been aroused in France by the visit of the emperor's mother to Paris. Old antipathies in both nations will again be manifested, and the pieces on the diplomatic chess-board of Europe seem destined to be once more thrown into disorder.

SUPERINTENDENT PORTER says that there are about 9,000,000 mortgages recorded in this country. But he does not state what proportion of the indebtedness they represent has been paid. In many cases, unquestionably, the amount still unpaid but a fraction of the original sum, and in many instances the increase in the value of the land has been greater than the total debt. All of these things need to be considered in drawing conclusions from the figures which he presents.

The German Emperor is wise in endeavoring to secure more friendly relations with France than those which now prevail. It is a fifth of a century since the war closed, and it is time that most of the animosities engendered by that struggle should be buried. Nevertheless, it is probable that nothing short of the restoration of France to the conquered provinces of Alsace and Lorraine would bring this condition of things about. It is scarcely necessary to say, however, that the emperor is not prepared to propose to Germany to sanction anything of this kind just yet.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Compiled from Various Sources.

CONGRESSIONAL PROCEEDINGS.

In the senate, on the 24th, house bill to establish a United States land court and to provide for a judicial investigation and settlement of private land claims in the territories of Utah and New Mexico, and the states of Colorado, Nevada and Wyoming, was taken from the calendar and passed, with a sundry civil appropriation bill was taken up, and the committee amendments in relation to the world's fair gave rise to a long discussion. After approval of several amendments the bill was laid aside and the sundry civil bill was taken up and passed. The conference report on the naval appropriation bill was agreed to. A further conference was ordered on the District of Columbia bill.

In the senate, on the 25th, resolutions of sorrow at the death of Senator Wilson, of Maryland, were adopted and after a few appropriate remarks the senate, as a mark of respect, adjourned for the day. In the house a resolution making the shipping bill a special order for the 26th and 27th, the previous question to be considered as ordered at 5 o'clock of the second day, was adopted. The immigration bill was passed, and the house went into committee of the whole on the agricultural appropriation bill. Without disposing of the bill the committee rose. The death of Senator Wilson was announced, and after eulogistic remarks the house adjourned until 8 p. m.

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In the senate, on the 27th, the message of the president vetoing the bill establishing a record and pension office of the war department was received. Papers supporting the claim of Wm. H. Chagert to a seat in the senate from the state of Idaho for the term beginning March 4 next (the seat for the term) were presented and filed. The Niagara canal bill was laid aside for this time. The legislative appropriation bill was passed with a number of amendments, and the immigration bill, together with a number of other bills, were taken from the calendar and passed. The senate, at 8 o'clock, was still in session considering the Indian appropriation bill. In the house the entire day was taken up by the debate on the shipping bill, and voting on amendments to the measure, which was finally passed.

In the senate, on the 28th, house bill granting a pension of \$2,500 a year to the widow of Admiral Porter was passed. The amendment to the direct tax bill was agreed to. House bill for the reorganization of the artillery of the army, with senate amendments, was taken up, and the committee amendments were adopted. The bill to regulate the jurisdiction of United States courts was taken up, and the committee amendments were adopted. The bill to regulate the jurisdiction of United States courts was taken up, and the committee amendments were adopted.

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ILLINOIS STATE NEWS.

An Elopement.

Walter Block, of Hampton, and Miss Snyder, of Moline, have eloped. Mr. Block and Miss Snyder met at Savannah by appointment and continued to Janesville, Wis., where they were married. Mr. Block is the youngest son of Francis Block, of Hampton, one of the wealthy farmers of Rock Island county. Miss Snyder is the only daughter of J. B. Snyder, proprietor of the Keator House, Moline, and has \$20,000 in her own right. The young couple pooled incomes and raised about \$1,000, and will take a wedding trip through the east, returning in the spring.

On the night of January 21 an attempt was made to set fire to the China Navigation Co.'s steamer Pekin at Shanghai, and it is now believed that the burning of the steamer Shanghai recently, whereby 200 people lost their lives, was the work of an incendiary.

On the 1st Thomas Allen, an English coachman employed by Mr. Ralph Worthington, of Cleveland, O., was arrested, charged with stealing diamonds belonging to Mrs. Worthington, valued at \$1,200. The house had been partly in charge of the coachman, and he was seen in company with a jeweler, after which the diamonds were arrested.

MISCELLANEOUS.
RAILROAD tracks near Sisson's, Cal., are blocked with snow, which in some places is eight feet deep.

The Berlin Post, commenting on the refusal of French artists to exhibit their works at the Berlin exhibition, says: "Germany will maintain a reserved attitude, but the incident will evidently bring the necessity for a struggle nearer. The French chauvinists must follow up their victory in order not to lose its fruits, as it is impossible to compel the sword to be kept drawn always."

It is stated that the National Harvester Co. has been so embarrassed by the decision of Judge Noyes, in the case of the Harvester Co. v. International Harvester Co., that it is considering the possibility of a voluntary liquidation of the company.

A Historic Flag.
John W. Wood, of Quincy, has presented to the Secretary of State Pearson the old battle flag carried at the head of the One Hundred and Thirty-seventh regiment of Illinois volunteers during the civil war. Mr. Wood got the flag from his grandfather, Gov. Wood, who was colonel of that regiment. The flag will be placed among the battle flags in Memorial hall.

An Elevator Burned.
Connelman's elevator in Chicago was almost destroyed by fire the other night, involving a loss of nearly \$100,000. The building was a five-story structure and had a capacity of 300,000 bushels of grain. At the time of the fire, 5,000 bushels of wheat were stored in the building.

Child Burned to Death.
Lena, a 6-year-old daughter of Frank Meyer, a farmer of Gilford township, Jo Daviess county, was burned to death the other night. A spark from an open grate set fire to her clothing while she was playing around the hearth. The body of the child was literally roasted.

Plugged Their Fire Hydrants.
The Lincoln Water Co. plugged their fire hydrants the other day, on refusal of the city council to put a rental on a contract they declared annulled a year ago by a failure of the company to comply with the contract. Arrangements are being made to build a new system.

Death of Sir Knight Dickerson.
Sir Knight Dickerson, upon whose body a foot square of skin, taken from the arms of his brother knights of St. Bernard, was grafted weeks ago, died at Emergency hotel, Chicago.

Hope to Save Their Neck.
Attorneys are endeavoring to save the necks of Calvin Holden and Albert Duran, sentenced to hang at Monticello. Petitions are being sent to the governor, and have been signed by the jury that convicted them and all the grand jurors that indicted them but one.

Warden Berggren Resigns.
Warden Berggren of the Northern Illinois Prison, at Joliet, has resigned to accept the position of president and manager of the Covenant life assurance association of Galesburg, at double his present salary.

Seeking New Homes.
Something over 200 persons left the vicinity of Bloomington, recently, in search of homes in Iowa and Nebraska. Those who have gone to Iowa will settle in Hamilton, Calhoun and Webster counties.

Both Left Families Behind.
Austin Gettings, of Disco, and Mrs. Samuel Carnes, of La Harpe, have eloped. Gettings leaves a wife and thirteen children. Mrs. Carnes leaves a husband and one child. She took her babe.

Sentenced to Hang.
At Ottawa, Joseph Stapp sentenced Charles Ford to be hanged on Saturday, March 21. Ford's crime was the murder of James Moore, a traveling lumber salesman of Omaha, on Jan. 23, 1890.

A Horse with Hydrophobia.
A valuable stallion belonging to C. C. Peck, of La Harpe, was attacked by hydrophobia, and was killed. The animal took great pleasure in flesh from its side in its agony.

Found Dead in Bed.
At Springfield Miss Leoda Cheater, aged 19, a high school pupil, whose parents reside in Mason county, was found dead in bed. Congestion of the brain.

A State Pension Agent.
A bill has been introduced in the legislature creating a state pension agent to prosecute claims of citizens in New York City.

The Gila River changed its course in several places during the late flood.

THE ILLINOIS LEGISLATURE.

Synopsis of the Proceedings of the General Assembly.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21.
The balloting for senator was simply to meet the requirements of the law—Palmer, Stroger, Oglesby, 2 yeas, 1 nay. No business was transacted in either house.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22.
[In joint assembly, on account of sickness of several members, no business was transacted.]

SENATE—Hills introduced: By Senator Mahoney: Prohibiting the formation of societies to public of men because of their religious belief or nationality. By Senator Secrest: Amending the eminent domain act by compelling the petitioner to pay the cost of condemnation proceedings, including jury fees, which are now paid by the county. By Senator Stroger: Amending the law to decide at their town meetings whether or not the poll tax shall be levied in their township. By Senator Sherman: To permit registered physicians to practice as pharmacists. Adjourned till the 25th.

HOUSE—Mr. O'Donnell introduced a bill to authorize the carrying of a gun by the institutions of children under 7 years of age. Mr. Conway introduced a bill providing for the assessment of a graph company according to their netted number of poles, etc. Adjourned till the 25th.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23.
[Owing to the illness of Senator Matthews the republicans were not in session.]

SENATE—The joint resolution introduced in the house by Mr. Carmody, providing for an investigation of the charges, that managers of the World's fair are letting contracts to men who employ alien labor, and who do not observe the eight-hour law, caused quite a discussion. When the resolution came up for consideration, Mr. Palmer moved that it be referred to the committee on public affairs. Mr. Mahoney moved against the reference. On the roll being called the motion to refer prevailed. No business was transacted, and the senate adjourned till the 26th.

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A WOMAN'S ADVENTURE.

What It Was That Came Pitapatting After Her.

Her dinner dishes were done; the bread molded down and set to rise for the last time. Baby had been fed, and then, as Martha Wadsworth cuddled the sleepy little head against her bosom, she pressed a rapid, unconscious kiss on his forehead. The chubby hand clinging to her kerchief, a saying: "Bless his little, he's a't!"

Mamma would like to rock him all day, she wishes there was nothing else to do. But as this reminded her of her work, she stopped fondling him, and crooning softly, averted back and forth in the creaky rocking chair.

Baby popped his thumb into his mouth, and he vigorously for a moment, then sucked it quieter and quieter. Mother rocked more and more slowly, and at last, as she laid him carefully down in the rough oak cradle, she tucked up the blanket and stood for a moment, gazing at the baby.

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CHARLES SWAIN, employed in laying iron on the upper deck of the high bridge at Muscatine, Ia., fell from the top of the span, on the 6th, to the ice in the Mississippi river, a distance of 80 feet, and was instantly killed.

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M. SEETS, a lion tamer, was fatally torn by one of his beasts, at the Paris hippodrome, on the 9th.

Ex-Gov. Oglesby's Residence Burned.
The fine residence owned and occu-

Died in One Night.
Three old and prominent citizens of Atlanta and vicinity died the other night: Mrs. Winnie Dyre, aged 80 years; Wm. L. Barnes, 76 years, and S. L.

Synopsis of the Proceedings of the General Assembly.

"No," replied the operator, "there's something written down on one corner of the page that I couldn't quite catch, so I put it aside till I got time to study it over. Can you make it out?"

"Yes, I wrote it myself. It's 'Rush.'"

The Series on "The Ten Plagues of New York" Continued.

over a blotch of leprosy. There are many whose entire business is to dispose of that kind of literature. They display it before the school-boy on his way home. They get the catalogues of schools and colleges, take the names

everyone of them.

religious books and newspapers, or that every song ought to be sung to the tune of "Old Hundred." I have no sympathy with the attempt to make the young old. I would rather join a crusade to

John Rhett's Harrowing Experience in a Barber's Chair.

portunity to spring from the chair and escape. But he looked in vain. Though the barber occasionally relaxed the stern grip upon his throat, yet he still held him with his glittering eye.

—It is played in.—Lummix—"There is one game that is not played out, anyhow." Skimgullet—"What is that?" Lummix—"Indoor baseball."—Inter Ocean.

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GONE, but not forgotten—the Fifty-first Congress.

If the World's Fair is to be a success it ought to be, more work and less quarrelling must be done.

An enthusiastic young naval officer proposes to walk to the north pole. What's the matter with skating?

MANY of the ex-Congressmen, whose salaries have stopped are doubtless envious of the professional base ballist, whose salary is just beginning.

The World's Fair board of control seems, "to a man up a tree," to be more interested in drawing the salaries of its members than in promoting the exposition.

Oh, those everlasting letters. Now it is the governor of New York and the governor of Connecticut. We would suggest that the two gentlemen follow the example set by the famous rulers of the two Carolinas.

ENGLAND shouldn't worry. Uncle Sam has no idea of eloping with Miss Canada, but if that young lady leaves the parental roof of her own free will and accord she isn't likely to be insulted for lack of protection.

The New York saloon keeper who directed the cremation of his remains and the scattering of the ashes from the top of the statue of Liberty, intended, doubtless, to destroy his future identity.

The word "Car" which has been kept standing in large quantities in every well regulated democratic newspaper office for some time can now be distributed, as the "Car" is no longer "Car," but only plain Representative Reed.

The criminals of Connecticut will not shed any tears over the dispute between the governor of that state and Gov. Hill, of New York. The adage may now be paraphrased to read: When governors fall out thieves go free.

EX-SENATOR BLAIR goes to China as United States minister. We give the Chinese fair warning that Mr. Blair is a very estimable gentleman, except when speaking on universal education then he becomes—well, call it treason.

A NEWSPAPER writer says the Chinese Highbinder's mission is to get as much as possible for nothing; to obtain pecuniary, if possible, but to get it anyhow. Such also is the apparent mission of a good many people who do not belong to the kill-you-for-a-nickie Chinee society.

AN over-starch detective has discovered that all male criminals are tattooed with India ink. Inasmuch as it would be difficult to find a city-born man, between twenty and forty years of age, without a bit of tattooing on his person—somewhere, this detective will hardly take rank with the celebrated discoveries of the age.

The queen of England's nerves are considerably upset of late; she quarrelled with her son, and waiting to be successor, in public; and she was frightened to death lest the mercurial Frenchman would treat her beloved daughter, the thoughtless Empress of Germany, as they once did an erstwhile queen of their own. Happily the trouble is for the time over, but between the cares of state, grooming and her children, Her Majesty knows the truth of the saying: "Uneasy lies the head that wears a crown."

C. P. HUNTINGTON is bitterly opposed to the foreclosing of the government's mortgages on the Pacific railroads, and the same gentleman is very strongly in favor of granting to these companies all the time they ask for, to make the payment of the money they owe the United States. There is nothing strange about this, in view of the fact that Mr. Huntington is the owner of several millions of dollars made out of the Pacific railroad of which he is president, and the prospective owner of much more to be made in the same way, if Uncle Sam can only be persuaded to keep his hands off. The strange thing is, that the people who have to either take up their mortgages or give up their property, should allow this favoritism toward these railroads to go on year after year.

The big type founders have formed a trust. It will now be in order for the newspapers and publishing houses to do likewise. "What is sauce for the goose," etc.

A COURT in the staid old German town of Gotha has been called upon to decide a novel question. A gentleman while playing cards with a party of friends in a beer-hall was assaulted by a pretty waiter-girl with malice aforethought and with a smacking kiss upon his manly cheek. The matter was at first treated as a joke, but turned out to be a rather serious affair for the kisser, when his wife heard about it. His irate spouse would not believe that the kiss was an unprovoked affair, so far as her liege lord was concerned, and in order to vindicate himself he has brought a suit against the girl for damages on the ground that the kiss had injured his reputation for morality.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given to the public that it shall hereafter be unlawful for any person or persons to use any of the town's ladders only in case of fire. And any person or persons using said ladders or found in possession of the same, shall be fined not less than three dollars nor more than five dollars for every offense.

Any person or persons having any of the town's ladders in their possession had better return them immediately. By order of the Board of Trustees of the town of Meredosian, Illinois. H. C. WIGMORE, Clerk. Dated this 9th day of March, 1891.

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—Shipstuffs, \$1. cwt.

—Hogs, \$3.25.

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—Sweet Potatoes, \$2.00.

—Mixed Feed, \$1. cwt.

—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.

Get your silver presents of D. Watts.

—John Turner was in Florence last week.

—Jas. Cody, jr., is nursing a sore hand.

—Tim Lewis, of Naples, was here Friday.

—We have been having a bountiful of snow.

—Stafford Smith and Joe Summers are sick.

—Tom Keener, of Naples, is visiting Royal Moores.

—K. Sumpster, of Chambersburg, was here last week.

—D. Watts spent Sunday with home folks at Naples.

—Frank Price was a clerk at Einstein's last week.

—Our ice merchants put up four inch ice last week.

—J. C. Lewis, of Bluffs was a guest at Dr. Ray's Friday.

—Royal Schroll, of Naples, is visiting his friends here.

—Old papers for sale at this office at 35 cents per hundred.

—Wm. Vandevanter, of Brown county, was in the city Monday.

—Mr. Ward, a Jacksonville insurance agent, was here Saturday.

—Mrs. Brash, of Beardstown, was visiting Mr. and Mrs. Lewinson Monday.

—James Ward and Neri Kearns, of Naples, were on business here Saturday.

—Harry Andre and Gus Graham were business callers at the Hub Saturday.

—John Wheeler, of the Quincy Journal, was in the city Thursday on business.

—Joe Hauser will move his family to the lower locks, at Kampsville, this month.

—Dave Schroll is expected to return in a few days to take charge of his fishery.

—John Lange, representing the grocery house of Wulffing, Dieckride & Co., Sunday at home.

—Prof. Decker, G. M. Burrus and Miss Emma James attended the institute at Chapin Saturday.

—Horace Fugate departed for New Berlin Tuesday morning, where he takes charge of a barber shop.

—Tom Burrus has moved his family to this place from Naples and occupies the Gabel property in the east part of town.

—We hereby inform the horse owners that we have just received an elegant line of horse-cuts for printing horse bill, cards, etc.

Try our best grades of roast coffee. Acme, Climax and Eight Hour, put up three pound bags, at the Cheap Cash Store of M. E. Geiss.

—Harry, you're a daisy!

—Subscribe for THE NEWS.

—Oscar Gemming is on the sick list. See the beautiful silver sets at D. Watts.

—J. Colbert is here on a visit to his family.

—Al. Geiss Sunday with his parents here.

—Henry Geiss left for Chicago Monday evening.

—J. H. Carver expects the new glass for his store front this week.

—Jake Williams, of Naples, is at work on Knowland's livery barn.

D. Watts has almost double his line of watches, clocks and silverware.

—George and Walter Ham, of Chambersburg, were trading here Friday.

I will have a beautiful line of silverware in this week. D. WATTS.

—Jno. J. Frazer, of St. Louis, son of Dr. Frazer, was visiting his father last week.

—Brook Wight and Marshall Tapp, of Versailles, were here on business one day last week.

—Miss Hattie Turner entertained a number of her friends at her home on last Thursday evening.

—Miss Lulu Moon is now a student of the mysteries of the art preservative at THE NEWS office.

I can save you money if you want to buy a sewing machine. Call and see me. A. E. RITSCHER.

—Do you want to know where you can get your horse bills printed the cheapest? Call at this office and inquire.

—We are prepared to execute horse and jack bills on short notice. Horse men call and see us and get prices and see cuts.

—Bert and Fritz Pike were here Tuesday preparing to take their positions on the steamer, but, as it will not leave until Thursday they took in Mt. Sterling.

—We learn Aldo Zimmerman and Will Apperson have branched out in another business—that of killing dogs. If they can't shoot them they can scare them to death by shooting at them.

—All our six month subscribers who subscribed for THE NEWS with the second issue are notified that their time expires with this issue. We hope all who know themselves indebted to us will make immediate settlement.

—There was but one editor at the press meeting at Jefferson City who smoked cigarettes. We do not know his name or the place he hails from, but he was the silliest and simplest looking editor in the bunch.—Shelbyville Herald.

—Profanity, remarks an exchange is commonly used to give force to weak ideas. The man who has an idea that amounts to anything does not need to hitch an oath to it to give it effect. It is one of the meanest habits a man can be guilty of except lying out of his subscription.

—When there is no more onton breath, the people will be glad. When the tools are cold in death, the people will be glad. When the dogs at night no longer bark, when the cats are silent after dark, the people will be glad. When all the dudes are buried deep, when woman snorts not in her sleep, when coal in winter time gets cheap, the people will be glad. When flies keep out of the coffee cup, the people will be glad. When milk-men's milk is free from chalk, when trusty horses do not balk, when country butter cannot walk, the people will be glad.

—Wm. W. Briggs, a live stock dealer and well known citizen of this city, left home on Friday, the 20th of last month for the purpose as he then alleged, of going into Pike county to purchase cattle. He informed his wife that he would return home in two or three days, but has not yet returned nor has anything been heard as to his whereabouts, except that he was seen and conversed with by Henry Lowens at Hannibal, Mo., on Saturday—the day after his departure from home. He left in a road-cart, driving a light bay horse, with black mane and tail. His continued absence has occasioned much solicitude among his family and friends. Diligent search was his winter quarters Tuesday for St. Louis. She will leave St. Louis, on Saturday March 14, for Peoria, making regularly two trips per week. Leaving St. Louis Wednesdays and Saturdays at 4 p. m. Leaving Peoria going south Thursdays at 10 p. m., and Mondays at 4 p. m.

Since the above was put in type we were informed the boat would not leave until today (Thursday) on account of ice in the Mississippi.

—Jim Boyd is visiting home folks.

—George Baker has moved into the rooms back of Watts' jewelry store.

—A man named Snow, living in the suburbs, was made a father a few days ago, and he sent this announcement to the local paper: "A little snow drifted into my house last night."—Philadelphia Record.

—An exchange jogs up the memory of delinquent subscribers, thus: The McKinley bill does not affect the price of this paper, but I want to emphatically say that it is not on the free list, as some people seem to think.

—Nye says "a man may use the wart on the back of his neck for a collar button, ride on the back coach to save the interest on his money until the conductor gets round, stop his watch at night to save the wear and tear, leave his eye without a dot to save ink, pasture his mother's grave to save corn—but a man of this sort is a gentleman and a scholar compared with the fellow that takes a newspaper two or three years and when he is asked to pay for it puts it back in the office and has it marked 'refused.'"

—A sofa with a history fell in the hands of an Ottawa upholsterer the other day. When taken apart there were found between the back and the cushion forty-seven hair pins, three mustache combs, nineteen suspender buttons, thirteen needles, eight cigarettes, five photographs, 217 pins, some grains of coffee, twenty-seven vest buttons, a few cloves, six pocket knives, fifteen poker chips, a vial of homeopathic medicine, thirty-four lumps of chewing gum, nine toothpicks and four books. The sofa belonged to a man who had seven unmarried daughters.

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One bay mare, (young) with harness and buggy cheap. Apply to A. E. RITSCHER.

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Our Packet Company.

Capt. C. C. Keener and Col. J. L. Pike, president and vice-president of the St. Louis, Naples & Peoria Packet Company, have this winter overhauled and repainted their steamers, and now have them ready for the spring trade. On resuming business this season they are determined to head all their energies and offer every inducement to the shippers along the river that can be offered to handle their freights at the lowest living rates. We feel that if the shippers would take the right view of this matter they would not cripple the boating interests of our river by moving their freight in other channels—driving from them their legitimate business. We will ask, where will freights go to if this should be done? We hope the shippers and those receiving freight along the river, will stand by the Packet Company and give them the business this season they deserve. Capt. Keener and Col. Pike are gentlemen of fine business ability and society attainments, and will make it pleasant for the traveling public who may happen to make a trip with them. Their boats are perfect floating palaces and the traveler feels at once at home when he sees the elegance and comfort which surrounds him on every hand. We

WHAT CONGRESS DID.

The Work Performed by the Fifty-first Congress.

Some of the Most Important Measures that Became Laws, and Others that Failed of Passage—Memoranda.

The total appropriations made by the Fifty-first Congress will probably aggregate a billion dollars. During the Fifty-first Congress 161 bills were vetoed; during the Fifty-first Congress four hundred and thirty bills have become laws are the following:

The copyright bill.
The private land court bill.
The postal subsidy bill.
The Indian depredations claim bill.
The timber and preemption law repeal bill.
The customs administrative bill.
A general land forfeiture bill.
The bill to relieve the supreme court by the establishment of intermediate circuit courts of appeal.
The United States judges' salaries bill.
The world's fair bill.
The Wyoming and Idaho admission bills.
The anti-lottery and anti-trust bills.
The reappropriation bill.
The immigration bill.
The bill to ratify agreements with various Indian tribes, and to pay the friendly Sioux \$100,000.

To reduce the fees of pension agents.
To pay the French spoliation claims.
On most inspection bill.
The bill to prevent the importation of adulterated food and drink.
The live cattle and hog inspection bill.
The bill appropriating \$100,000 for the improvement of the Mississippi river.
To permit sorghum sugar manufacturers to use alcohol without payment of tax.
To limit to 60 per cent. of the rates charged private parties the rates the land grant railroad shall charge for transportation of government troops and supplies.

To authorize construction of a tunnel under the waters of the bay of New York.
For the construction of a deep-water harbor on the coast of Texas.
For the relief of settlers on the Northern Pacific railroad indemnity lands.
To permit the export of fermented liquors to a foreign country without the payment of a tax.

To apply the proceeds of the sales of public lands and the receipts from certain land grant railroads to the support of agricultural and industrial colleges.
Joint resolution congratulating Brazil on the adoption of a republican form of government.
Bill to establish the Chickasaw military park.
Providing for town site entries in Oklahoma.

Authorizing the use of the Louisville and Portland canal basin.
To amend the interstate commerce act so as to give the commission greater powers in respect to making inquiries.
Providing that applications to purchase federal lands shall be subject to the rules from the date of the restoration of the lands to settlement and sale.

For a military post at San Diego, Cal.
For an Alaska census.
To extend the time of payment for public lands in cases of failure of the crop.
To issue 1,000 stand of arms to North and South Dakota, Wyoming, Montana and Nebraska.
To set aside the big tree tract in California as a public park.

For the inspection of cattle steamers in order to secure more humane treatment of cattle.
Providing that the life-saving appliances act shall not apply to the lakes and bays of the United States.
To enable the postmaster-general to extend \$10,000 to test free-delivery system in small towns.

To create the customs districts of North and South Dakota and Puget sound, and for the erection, repair or enlargement of many public buildings heretofore noted.
The Blair educational bill, the bill for the appointment of an alcoholic liquor commission and the "eight-hours" claims bill, the measures which were defeated on test votes; while among those which, after passing one house, failed of action in the other, are the bankruptcy bill, the Conger land bill and the army reorganization bill.

The Padlock pure food bill, the Nicaragua canal bill, the Pacific railroad funding bill and the interstate commerce bill (to permit limited pooling of earnings by railroad companies) are among the measures which failed to reach a vote in either house.

The following are some of the senate bills which failed to pass the house:
To provide for the free coinage of silver.
Enlarging the rights of homesteaders and pre-emptors on the public lands.
Revising the grade of lieutenant-general of the army.

For a boarding vessel at Chicago.
For the exploration and survey of the interior of Alaska.
The following house bills failed to pass the senate:
To transfer the revenue marine service to the navy.

To authorize the construction of a tunnel under the Detroit river at Detroit, Mich.
For the relief of telegraph operators during the war.
Among the measures on which neither house acted (except in some cases by committee) were:

The sub-treasury and farm mortgage bills.
The service pension bill.
The Canadian reciprocity resolution.
The bill to encourage the construction of an international railway.
The postal savings bank and postal telegraph bills.
The bill to aid negroes to immigrate to Africa.

Woman suffrage and prohibition constitutional amendments.
The income tax bill and various other radical, financial and political measures.

In the Fifty-first Congress 14,033 bills were introduced in the house and 5,120 in the senate. In the Fifty-first Congress 12,654 bills were introduced in the house and 4,000 in the senate. In the Fifty-first Congress 297 joint resolutions (or twenty-eight more than the number introduced in the Fifty-first Congress) were introduced in the house. In the Fifty-first Congress 1,894 bills were

enacted. The number of bills, etc., introduced in the Fifty-first Congress exceeded by 30 per cent. the number introduced in the Fifty-first Congress.

The following measures became laws throughout the Congress without the president's signature:
Act for the relief of the attorney of George W. Hook.
Act giving the court of claims jurisdiction of claims on account of property of the Chesapeake female college.

Act for the relief of J. Hollis McBlair.
Act authorizing the president to restore Tenders T-100 to the army and place him on the retired list.
Act for the relief of A. S. McCreary, administrator of the estate of M. Hyatt, deceased.

Act to provide American registers for the steamers Montauk and Minicola.
Ten private bills which had passed Congress failed to become laws because of their failure to receive the president's signature.

Contests for seats held by democrats in the house were made by eighteen republicans. The elections committee decided seventeen of these—eleven in favor of republicans and six in favor of democrats. The house seated eight republicans in the place of sitting democrats, and declared the seat of one democrat vacant. The house adopted the report of the committee on every case presented.

The first or long session of the Fifty-first Congress was also notable for the number of important measures that became laws. Wyoming and Idaho were admitted to statehood, making the number of states forty-four. A general land grant forfeiture bill, providing for the forfeiture to the government of all unearned lands granted to aid in construction of railroads opposite portions of roads completed at the time of the passage of the law, opened new lands to settlement.

The prohibition of American meat from certain foreign markets brought about the passage of the law to provide for the inspection of meats intended for export. The bills to prohibit the exportation of adulterated articles of food and drink and to enable the president to prevent the importation of impure and adulterated articles of food and drink are worthy of special mention, while among the less important, but generally interesting laws enacted were the following:

Providing for an additional assistant secretary of the navy and an assistant secretary of the treasury.
Extending the criminal jurisdiction of the federal courts to the sale of stolen goods.
Increasing to \$2 per month the pensions of those permanently disabled.

Directing the superintendent of the census to collect statistics of farms and mortgages indebtedness.
For the promulgation by the president of regulations to prevent the spread of contagious diseases from one state to another.
Granting certificates of discharge to those who enlisted under assumed names in the war of the rebellion.

To prevent the importation from one state into another of goods prohibited by the latter state, except in original packages.
To prevent collisions at sea.
To apply a portion of the proceeds of the sale of public lands to the endowment and support of agricultural colleges.

Transferring the weather bureau from the department of the interior to the department of commerce.
Providing for naval armament experiments with nickel ore and matte.
Authorizing the postmaster-general to test the free-delivery system in small towns.

Frequent complaints concerning the inefficiency of our federal immigration laws brought about the enactment in the second session of a measure aimed to correct the alleged abuses. This bill was prepared by a joint committee of the senate and house after a thorough investigation. It makes the contract labor law more binding in some particular and less onerous in others, and extends and strengthens the law concerning the exclusion from the United States of improper persons from foreign countries.

The enactment of a measure to extend the jurisdiction of federal courts will undoubtedly relieve the overcrowded courts in certain cases between the lower courts and the highest judicial tribunal in the country.

Another measure of importance that became a law in the second session was the direct-tax bill, which provides for refunding the amounts levied in certain states under the direct war tax of 1861. This bill became famous in the Fifty-first Congress through the long and weary deadlock in the house of representatives caused by the efforts to pass it. It was disposed of quietly and without any great show of resistance in the Congress just closed.

—During 1890 the total number of immigrants arriving in the United States from foreign countries was 491,026, a gain over the preceding year of 65,000, or 15 per cent. The bulk of the increase was found in arrivals from three countries in central and southern Europe—Austria-Hungary, Poland, Italy—and in fact, these three countries may be credited alone with supplying more than the entire increase noted, as their total gain over 1889 was 60,000, or 4,000 more than the total gain.

The arrivals of British immigrants showed a heavy falling off. German arrivals gained slightly, and Russian immigrants were also more numerous than in 1889.—Bradstreet's.

—"You have a head on you this morning, haven't you, dear?" inquired his wife kindly. "Gigantic," he grained. "Jagantic," she echoed, and left him with it.—Washington Record.

A DEAD MAN'S MILLIONS.

The Will of the Late Jonathan Scoville, of Buffalo, N. Y.—A Number of Public Benevolent and Unacknowledged Gifts Have Been Made.

BUFFALO, N. Y., March 10.—The will of the late Jonathan Scoville, of Buffalo, N. Y., was read yesterday. The estate is estimated at about \$3,000,000. The testator gives to his two sisters \$30,000 each, to his nephew Wm. H. Harper, of Chicago, and to his niece, Mary L. Filling, of Washington, \$15,000 each. He gives in trust for his nephews, Samuel Scoville and Paschal and J. F. Fisher, \$50,000 each. To the widow of his deceased brother, Samuel Scoville, an annuity for life of \$500. To the St. Johns Episcopal society of Salisbury, Conn., the interest in perpetuity of \$30,000 and to the Methodist Episcopal union chapel of Chapinville, \$500 per annum in perpetuity. He gives to the Buffalo orphan asylum, Historical society fine arts academy, St. Vincent's, female asylum and the Home for the friendless, \$5,000 each. He gives to the Buffalo fine arts academy \$2,500 and a like amount to the general hospital to be used for a school for nurses.

A codicil, however, revokes the bequest to the Fine Arts academy and directs that \$5,000 be given to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children and \$20,000 to the University of Buffalo.

Article 10 gives \$12,000 for a suitable building in Salisbury, Conn., for the use of a public library. Other minor bequests are also made, and the balance of the estate goes to trustees in trust for the six children of his brother, the late Church Scoville, to be given them successively, as they become of age.

The history of the revocation of the fine arts bequest is a curious one. About a month ago Mr. Scoville made some statutory to the Fine Arts academy but no acknowledgment of the gift was made, which angered Mr. Scoville so that he had the codicil framed, saying: "If these people don't think enough of a gift send them to acknowledge it, why they need not have any more." The academy trustees say that the statutory came just after a regular monthly meeting and they were waiting for the next meeting to make the official acknowledgment.

IN MEMORIAM.
Sherman Memorial Services Held by the G. A. R. Post of Nashville, Tenn.—The Occasion an Interesting and Notable Event.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., March 10.—Memorial services were held Sunday afternoon at the Spruce street Methodist church in memory of Gen. William T. Sherman and was notably a success. Dignified, solemn, impressive and well arranged, an uncommonly happy selection of music, which was mostly and tastefully rendered, the emblems of mourning and beautiful flowers, all combined to make it a most interesting service. George H. Thomas and P. H. Sheridan posts, G. A. R., marched in and sang a body, preceded by two buglers and a drum, playing the "Woman's Relief Corps March," and a standard-bearer carrying a furled and craped-wrapped national flag. The buglers played into the church playing the dirge, and did not cease their mournful music until the posts had passed to the front rows in the cosy and pretty auditorium. The altar was covered with the national flag, and the chancel was filled with tall palms, potted plants and floral offerings. The portraits of Gen. Sherman occupied a prominent position in view of the congregation, which completely filled the church. The ceremonies were presided over by W. J. Watson, commander of George H. Thomas Post, No. 1, and well-known Grand Army men were ranged around him, among them S. O. Merrill, senior vice-commander; S. L. Mills, junior vice-commander; C. P. Smart, adjutant; Rev. F. M. Carvath, chaplain; Hon. John R. Hume, Hon. C. W. Whitaker, Gen. G. P. Thurston, Capt. C. A. Schaefer and others. The addresses by Hon. C. W. Whitaker, Capt. Schaefer and G. P. Thurston were appropriate and impressive.

COLOMBIA'S RAILWAYS.
An Interesting Statement Concerning the Railways of Colombia.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The department of state has received from the United States minister at Bogota an interesting statement concerning the railways of Colombia, in which he says: "This country is among the most mountainous of the world. As a result, all communication is, and always has been, most difficult and expensive. Nearly all freight must be transported by mules as soon as it leaves the great rivers. The people here realize their difficulties caused by the tedious methods now employed, and with a commendable spirit of progress have made numerous contracts with various foreign companies for the construction of roads. For one reason or another, however, the contracts have not been productive of great results. So that, to-day there are only nine railroads in the country, aggregating in length 200 kilometres, and two of these, covering about forty-two kilometres, were built by native companies."

Colombia, he says, has no system railroads but only isolated short lines. The need of more and better constructed and better managed roads is keenly felt. This situation induced the government to grant several concessions to foreign companies for the construction of new roads.



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One of the Most Solemn Rites of the Roman Catholic Church Described.

The sacrament of extreme unction is one of the most jealously guarded of the sacraments of the Catholic church; its nature and significance are not generally understood by Protestants. The celebration of Trent says: "The pastor will follow the uniform practice of the Catholic church, and not administer extreme unction until the penitent has confessed and received the eucharist." In another place the catechism says: "If a sick person, while in possession of his faculties, expresses a wish to receive extreme unction, and afterward becomes delirious, he is to be anointed."

A prelate of the Roman Catholic church has said: "The sacrament is only administered, first, on condition that the dying person has been baptized, and secondly, when the person expresses a wish to die in the Roman Catholic church. The priest officiating at the bedside may, if the person is conscious and able to speak, learn his wishes at first hand, and if the person is unconscious the priest may be informed by relatives whether the person dying has expressed a wish to die in the Catholic faith. If relatives so inform the priest, then he may proceed with the sacrament. If the priest is in doubt whether the dying person has desired to die in the Catholic faith, the dying one receives the benefit of the doubt. And for this reason, we do not know what is going on in the mind of an unconscious dying person. It is known that persons have been thought dead when they were conscious of what was going on around them, and they may be desiring the offices of the priests. The design in administering extreme unction is to give additional strength and grace to the dying. In the event of the recovery of a person who has been ministered to there is no result whatever, so far as the sacrament is concerned. I can not conceive that a priest would administer the sacrament in violation of the rules I have mentioned."

The oil used must be perfumed by a priest, and the oil used must be olive oil that has been blessed by a bishop. The priest dips the thumb of his right hand in the holy oil and marks the forehead of the dying one with the sign of the cross. He has seven balls of cotton and wipes away the oil with a fresh ball each time. The eyes, ears, nose, mouth, throat, palms of the hands, the soles of the feet are all touched. When the anointing is ended the priest rubs those of his fingers which have touched the oil with bits of bread, and then washes his hands. The crumbs of bread and the water are thrown into the fire and the pieces of cotton are thrown into the sacarium.—Chicago Post.

A Novel Bird Story.

When Mr. Andrew Young returned from Alaska last fall he went out to his house on Young's river to dig his potatoes. Finding a hollow tree he noticed several bushels already gathered. He looked around the patch, but saw no signs of anyone having disturbed the ground and to solve the mystery watched the tree. He was soon rewarded by seeing a flock of bluejays alight on the tree, and each bird had a potato in its bill, which was dropped into an opening in a limb and passed on down to the ground. He procured sacks, and so on as one was filled another was put in the place, and in this way the birds harvested fifty bushels of potatoes for him from various patches around the country.—Astoria (Ore.) Express.

A Western Post Office.

Tenderfoot (in new Kansas town)—Where is the post office?
Resident—Over there.
"Where?"
"Bye that man saving wood? He's the postmaster."
"Yes, but I don't see the post office of course you don't. It's in his hat."
—Good News.

THE MARKETS.

New York, March 10, 1891.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

Two jealous wives in Springfield visited a ready-made clothing house and bought men's suits in which they proposed to spy upon their husbands.

At citizens meeting held in Arenzville last week, \$500 was promptly raised as the nucleus fund to defray the expense of boring a hole and prospecting for gas.

An Atchison man paid a plumber's bill of \$8 yesterday, because his wife had taken the covering off the hydrant to wrap a fifteen-cent rose bush.

A farmer near Springfield, Illinois, sowed oats one day last week in his shirt sleeves and went skating on good ice in the same field the next day and yet people complain of life.

The Colchester Improvement Association committee now investigating water works and electric lights is ready to report on the latter. The committee is convinced that electric lights in Colchester are feasible.

An invisible ghost at Jefferson City sneezes in the air just above the people's heads when they are wandering near the capital grounds late at night. The yeoman souls believe it to be an invention of the city members.

A farmer near Mexico, Mo., sold a load of dressed hogs at 21 cents per pound and then went into a store and paid 11 cents per pound for a sugar cured ham. He now believes the packers use too costly sugar to cure hams.

According to the Gate City, a young man of Carthage, whose family is of good repute, fell among Kookuk thieves to the extent of \$200 last Friday night, and celebrated the event Saturday by getting drunk also by getting into the city prison.

If any of our readers happen to have John Bryant in their possession they can get fifty dollars for him. The express company at Farmington has a fifty dollar yearning for John because he forged money orders and upon capture evaporated from the municipal calaboose.

The Lincoln, Ill., Courier says the police of that town raided a gambling house and were scared out of their wits when they found the gamblers were prominent citizens. The police abjectly apologized for the intrusion and retired with a less of a man.

At Hamilton a woman, child and several dogs were bitten by a mad dog. The rabid animal, which was of medium size and supposed to be a water spaniel, bit four other dogs, which are now confined and will be killed by the authorities. Rickard was taken to Denver, Ill., where the famous mad stone owned by Thomas O'Brien, was applied and adhered for four hours. Mrs. Terrill also went to Denver to have the stone applied to the wound that she received. The dog escaped and is still at large.

Rushville Times: James Merritt and three companions walked to Beardstown yesterday to indulge in a spree, but "Jim" will go there no more. They started back early in the evening, all being under the influence of whiskey. When they reached the top of Bowling hill, 34 miles east of Rushville, James Merritt could go no further and his companions left him in the road, supposing he would be all right after he took a sleep. It proved to be his last sleep, however, as his body was found next morning about 6 o'clock. The deceased was about 28 years old.

The following is an exact copy of the rules posted up in a country school house in Effingham county: "Each pupil is required to make a bow on entering the school house of a morning, also on leaving the school room of an evening. There shall be no profane language used on the playground, nor shall there be no pin-sticking, scratching, nor no tagging, nor no unseemly whispering in school. No pupil shall leave the school house without permission of the teacher. No unseemly moving from seat to seat. No flitting on the road from one house to school, nor no nicknaming. Every pupil over eight years shall be subject to these rules and the teacher is to make allowance for pupils under eight, and to force the rules according. If any scholar break these rules they shall be punished by switch.".

The Kansas City Sunday Sun correspondents in Missouri take their regular weekly cowhiddings with philosophical nerve.

A three year old child of Mrs. Schroeder has been suffering for eight months past with a nasal affection, which was most distressing and wearing upon the physical nature. Doctors pronounced it nasal catarrh. This week the child was taken to Dr. Smith who decided that some foreign substance was the cause. His views were concurred in by Dr. Henry. They determined to make a critical examination, and placing the little one under the influence of chloroform, Dr. Smith introduced instruments and was rewarded by taking from the nose a small stick nearly an inch in length and as large as round as a lead pencil. This had been the cause of the trouble and one can imagine what the little one must have suffered.—La Harper.

A Night With the Baby.

The baby, if he happens to be a lousy little fellow of eight or ten months will decline to stay covered, and will also decline to allow you to keep your self covered.

He indicates his wishes in this direction by keeping his little pink heels going all night, a good part of the time on your back. He will also insist on lying "crosswise," and, "cat-a-corner," "bias," or in any other position but that which will give you a few inches of room in the bed and a few minutes' sleep. His infantile needs will begin to manifest themselves at about one o'clock in the morning, at which witching hour you will go blundering under the dark for a drink of water.

He will howl steadily and cheerfully from 2 until 3 o'clock, and will kick you furiously between the shoulder-blades with every howl. It will not be of any use for you to pat him tenderly and coo out "There, there." He is right there and knows it. He intends that you shall know it. It is of no use to say coaxingly, "What does papa's baby want?" Papa's baby doesn't want anything but to howl and he gratifies that amiable desire to the utmost.

It is of no use to add to your list of enormities by swearing. And if your wife has been calmly passive through it all, she will develop an amazing degree of spirit if you dare to lay the weight of your finger in anger on that "poor, dear little innocent" darling sweetness. He will squirm all night as though he were first cousin to an angle worm. He will journey around all over the bed, both under and on top of coverings. You are no sooner sleep than one of his moist little heels is planted firmly on your nose or in your mouth, and later on he sits astride your neck, and grow and grow and purple with rage when gently made to sit elsewhere.

Should he fall out of bed and yell loud enough to heard all over the street, your wife will say she firmly believes you pushed him out, and that you are not fit to be a father anyhow. An animated dialogue of purely personal and private nature will follow.

But when the roystering little chap finally "snuggles up" to you and goes to sleep with one of his velvet little cheeks close to your own, and one of his warm soft arms around your neck, you find your heart growing very soft and tender towards him, and you would single-handedly wage war against a host, or lay down your life for love of him.—Ex.

Fired the Jail.

PITTSFIELD, Ill., March 5.—Prisoners confined in the county jail set the building on fire yesterday, during the temporary absence of the sheriff and jailer hoping to make their escape during the confusion. When the jail was fairly ablaze and filled with smoke, they called to the sheriff's wife to let them out; that they were being roasted alive. But instead of liberating them she made sure that they were all secure and ran for help. The flames were speedily extinguished, but the prisoners got the benefit of a good smoking of several hours' duration, and while enjoying the luxury the old jail walls resounded with oaths of unfathomable length.

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The house of representatives at Olympia, Wash., has voted to appropriate \$50,000 for that state's exhibit at the world's fair.

ILLINOIS now has a larger railroad mileage than any other state in the union—14,017 miles. The gross earnings of all roads during the year of 1890 were \$202,091,753.14. There were 182,080 employees, who were paid during the year salaries and wages to the amount of \$107,702,265.49. Of the 568 persons killed in railroad accidents only twenty-seven were passengers.

According to a farmer, who seems to know what he is talking about, hogs for fattening will gain on an average 14 pounds per day, while old hogs, stockers, will gain about 2 pounds, everything being favorable. With corn selling at 45 cents a bushel hogs gaining a pound and a half a day cost 73 cents. Hogs gaining two pounds a day five and three-fifths cents. With this data to go upon it would seem that any one so inclined can determine for himself the gain and cost, the profit or loss the hog raiser may make or sustain in any given state of the market.

There does not seem to be much doubt now that the states which paid the direct tax levied 28 years ago to support the war for the union will get their money back. The House on Tuesday passed the bill, but with an amendment which will send it to the Senate for agreement. The direct tax amounted to a fraction over \$15,000,000, of which Illinois paid \$974,568, to which amount it will be entitled should the bill become a law. The measure provides for refunding to each state the whole amount collected from it, leaving to the respective states the responsibility of distributing the money among the persons by whom the tax was paid.

A BILL has been introduced in the Indiana legislature to discourage whitechaps. It provides that any person who is damaged or injured by whitechaps may recover damages from the county in which the act occurs. In case a man is whipped, he shall receive damages of not less than \$2,000 nor more than \$5,000 and a woman who is whipped by whitechaps may recover from \$5,000 to \$10,000 damages. The only objection to such a law would be that it might create a new industry—whippers and whippies, going into it for the money there is in it, at the county's expense.

SAYS the Keokuk Constitution Democrat: The soul of Dan Porter is in eternity. The romance of his crime, his conviction, sentence, escape and death, is replete with fascinating horror. His life was the forfeit demanded by relentless justice for the life he had taken. Love of life so strongly implanted in every human breast directed the miserable murderer to make use of the cunning which black despair incites. Prison locks and prison vigilance did not avail against this. Porter emerged ostensibly a free man. Free to breathe the blessed pure air of liberty, to gaze upon the blue sky, to wander whither he would, far away from the horrid hangman's noose which haunted him, dreaming and awake. On he sped, and on, hoping against hope. What different emotions possessed him—terror, resolve, horror, fascination, repulsion. The dread nightmare of his bloody crime haunted him, and the somber, avenging shadow hung over him, followed when he moved, present when he rested. The heavy hand of fate was upon him. Even nature conspired and plotted in behalf of justice. The gentle noiseless flakes of snow covered the earth with a tender, white mantle. Not a single footstep could be taken without being indelibly recorded. It said: "He was here," "Thither he went." Follow! Entirely encompassed by the forces of nature and mankind, the despairing fugitive was brought to bay, after his fear-stricken ravings. He beheld the ugly past, the solemn present, the mysterious future. The specter of the scaffold danced and oscillated before him. He would lay down the life which was forfeited, then and there. He would cheat the gallows. Two reports of fire-arms rang out. Dan Porter sank limp, dead, to the snow-covered earth.

A CAVE in Indiana of unknown dimensions has just been found on the farm of Daniel Beem, near Spencer. The entrance to the cave is a natural depression. A party explored the cave for a quarter of a mile, and the lights becoming exhausted, could proceed no further. Halls, caverns, streams of water, basins and many other interesting things were found. Extensive preparations are being made for further exploration.

Democratic Convention.

We learn from the Jacksonville Courier that the democratic central committee of Morgan county met at the court house in that city last Saturday for organization. The committee was called to order by Charles A. Barnes, the retiring chairman. A full representation of the committee was present. R. S. Jewsbury, of Litch, was chosen a member of the committee. Sent the undersigned for descriptive pamphlets and other matter giving location and full particulars concerning these lands.

L. W. Chambers resigned as a member from the fourth district, and O. P. Thompson was chosen to fill the place. Permanent officers for the next two years were chosen as follows: O. P. Thompson—Chairman. N. Milburn—Secretary. M. F. Dunlap—Treasurer. On motion of Hon. E. M. Kinnman a vote of thanks was extended to Chas. A. Barnes, the retiring chairman, for his past services, &c.

The committee decided to test the choice of this county for circuit judge, and the primaries were election law, and the primaries were held for the afternoon of Saturday, April 11th, 1891, from 1 to 7 p. m., and the candidate receiving the most votes in the county to choose his own delegates. The committee then adjourned.

Seventh Judicial District.

The democratic central committee of the seventh judicial district met at the Dunlap House, in Jacksonville, last Saturday. The meeting was called to order by Chairman James R. Ward, of Greene county, and besides transacting other business it was decided to hold the judicial convention in Jacksonville, April 23d, the representation being placed at one delegate for every 400 votes and one for every fractional 200 votes over 400 cast for Cleveland in 1888. There are ten counties in the district, consisting of Calhoun, Cass, DeWitt, Greene, Jersey, Mason, Logan, Menard, Scott and Morgan. All counties excepting DeWitt were represented. Calhoun's committee-men sending a proxy. The committee-men present were James R. Ward, of Greene; James Hobitt, of Logan; J. T. Robinson, of Cass; J. M. Riggs, of Scott; Joseph M. Page, of Jersey; Chas. Nussbaum, of Menard; Mr. Rainey, of Calhoun; J. H. Deirker, of Mason; Hon. E. L. McDonald, of Morgan. Three judges are to be nominated at the coming convention. The present incumbents are Judge Lacey, of Mason county; Judge Herdman, of Jersey county and Cyrus Epler, of Morgan.

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A FEARFUL PROTEST.

The Misarrangement of Justice in the
Hennepine Murder Case

Leads to a Terrible Manifestation of Mob
Law in New Orleans—Eleven
Lives Paid for that of the
Chief of Police.

NEW ORLEANS, March 14.—The Mafia has been dealt a death blow. The numerous Sicilian society will not again be enabled to raise its head in New Orleans. People were shocked by the verdict rendered yesterday that they determined at once to move upon the monster that had flourished in their midst. A call to arms was made. Men in all walks of life rallied. The march upon the prison where the Hennepine assassins were confined was made, and in a few moments the dead chief was avenged. The result was fearful, but the people were content. They say the law had failed, but justice had been done.

The scenes at and about the Clay statue this morning brought to mind very vividly the popular and ominous rising of that September nearly sixteen years ago. Ten o'clock had not yet struck, and a vast multitude was already congregated on Canal street, almost filling up the large space from curb to curb on each side of the boulevard. Just on the stroke of 10 a shout went up from the people stationed at St. Charles street, and a number of gentlemen, among whom were Mr. W. S. Parkerson, Mr. John O. Wildfield and others who signed the call, came marching along and began walking round and round the falling of the Clay monument.

"Fall in! Fall in!" was the cry, and amidst deafening shouts several of the crowd formed the procession which went around the railing of the monument. The view from that altitude was imposing. Not a bad word yet escaped the lips of the gentlemen who had mounted the steps. They stood erect, motionless, surveying the surging multitude, from whose serried ranks there gleamed faces full of resolve and determination. There were fully 3,000 persons within ear shot, and more could be seen struggling to get to the front here and there on the neutral ground. Street cars were unable to pass beyond. Carriages, carts, wagons, cabs and vehicles of all descriptions were halted. The people were about to exercise their right of prerogative of sovereignty, and were in no mood to be out of the way. There was a fixed purpose to hear what they expected would be said, and to do what an outraged community felt should be done.

Mr. Parkerson spoke first. He said that once before he had appeared before the people in a public mass-meeting assembled to discuss matters vital to the interest of the community, and again he faced the people of New Orleans to denounce the most infamous act which was consequent upon the most revolting crime in the criminal annals of any community. That act was the finding of the jury in the murder trial yesterday, and that crime was, as everybody knew, the foul assassination of the chief of police. "I desire neither fame, nor name, nor glory," said Mr. Parkerson. "I am a plain American citizen, and as such, and as a good citizen, I am here."

The crowd was yelling itself hoarse. Fury, ungovernable, was evident throughout that immense assemblage, which by that time numbered fully 15,000 people.

"Shall you protect yourselves?" "Yes."

"Self preservation is the first law of nature. This is the time for action, not talk."

"Let's go! Let's go! Come on, Wyck-off! Come on, Parkerson! We are ready!"

Mr. Wickoff concluded. There was just the slightest momentary lull in the storm. Then some one yelled: "Shall we get our guns?" "Yes, yes, get your guns," said Mr. Parkerson. "Get your guns and meet us in Congo square immediately." Loud cheers were given as Mr. Parkerson and the other gentlemen moved down the steps. Then an ominous silence reigned, and the steady tramp, tramp of men falling into line and marching along was heard, and the crowd followed the leaders on along Canal street to Rampart. They marched down Rampart to a place where weapons were obtained, and next Congo square was in sight. The parish prison was reached at 10:30 o'clock. The wooden door on Marais street was broken in by a large bill of wood used as a catapult, and heavy rocks were also pelted against it. The door yielded. After the door had been broken down there was a wild rush for entrance. Two men, however, stood at the door and prevented anyone from coming in except those that carried shotguns and Winchester rifles. The large hall in the sheriff's private room was torn down by the crowd in their mad rush to the lobby. The mob congregated in the visiting room, and a shout went up for the key to the inside gate. The crowd that was packed in front of the outside gate resolved the shout, and the young man whom the writer recognized brought forth the keys. The inside gate was thrown open, and the several deputies who were in the lobby gave way to the crowd. The door leading into the white people's yard was open, and the avengers crowded through. A cell just at the door was opened, and it was crowded with prisoners,

who were trembling in every limb. A deputy stood in the door and informed the crowd that none of those in that cell were the prisoners wanted. Then the mob filed out into the yard. Glancing up at one of the condemned cells on the second floor a blanched and ghastly face was seen at the bars of the door. "That's Scofield," shouted one excited individual, and immediately several shots were fired at the cell. The individual, whoever he was, quickly disappeared. Several more shots were fired at the door.

"They are in the female department," shouted a thrill voice.

"Where is the key? Bring us the key," yelled another, and a rush was made for the door separating the two divisions. The door was found securely locked.

"Batter it down," said one; "Hold on," a young man with a Winchester replied, "I've got the key," and he held a long key over his head. This announcement was greeted with yells. The door was opened and the crowd made a break to get in.

"Hold on, gentlemen," said the young man who had produced the key, "we do not want to shed innocent blood. Who knows the assassins?"

"I do" and "I," shouted a dozen men. "Let me in, I know them," said one determined man, and he was admitted. About seven men entered, and the corridor was found deserted with the exception of one person. This was an old negro woman. "They are up-stairs, boss," she said, in answer to a question. No material resistance was offered by the police or the sheriff to the work of the citizens, who were armed with shotguns and pistols, and who not only repulsed the humber classes, but the most prominent bankers, citizens, merchants and professional men in New Orleans.

A wagon filled with policemen dashed up to the scene, but they were driven away amid a shower of mud, and did not seem anxious to charge the crowd. The sheriff's deputies found that resistance was useless, and they had to stand by and see the doors battered down.

When apprised of the approach of the mob, the prison officials transferred the Italians from the male to the female department, and when the armed men who got on the inside of the jail found them, the prisoners ran down into the yard below. They begged and pleaded for mercy, but for some of them there was no mercy shown at the hands of the outraged citizens. When the prisoners reached the yard they tried to seek places of safety, but there were none to be found, and the shot guns belched forth and the slayers of Hennepine fell dead in their tracks.

Madness, the arch-conspirator, crouched down in a corner with his hands before his face and screamed. A dozen bullets entered his body, and he pitched headforemost on the stone pavement dead. In the great confusion it was difficult to ascertain who had been killed.

While the work of vengeance was going on inside a crowd of men came out of the jail with the crazy assassin Politze. Some one had a rope, and as the miserable Italian was rushed to the corner the line was thrown over an arm of a post and Politze was drawn up in the air, but before he strangled to death a dozen shots rang out and his body was riddled with bullets.

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Police Officer Herron, who was in the prison, was shot in the neck and he is the only one outside of the prisoners who suffered. After the work was done Mr. Parkerson addressed the dense mob of citizens and advised them to disperse. They frantically applauded, and when he had finished carried him bodily on their shoulders. The multitude participating in the avenging work of the mob, and the work of vengeance was going on inside a crowd of men came out of the jail with the crazy assassin Politze. Some one had a rope, and as the miserable Italian was rushed to the corner the line was thrown over an arm of a post and Politze was drawn up in the air, but before he strangled to death a dozen shots rang out and his body was riddled with bullets.

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for the citizens of New Orleans, to vindicate outraged justice; be it
Resolved, That while we deplore at all times the resort to violence, we consider the action taken by the citizens this morning to be proper and justifiable.

Similar resolutions were adopted by the board of trade, the sugar exchange and the stock exchange.

Secretary Blaine to Gov. Nichols.
WASHINGTON, March 15.—Baron Pava, the Italian minister, today formally brought to the attention of the president the slaughter of the Sicilian prisoners in the parish jail at New Orleans yesterday. As a result, Secretary Blaine sent the following dispatch to Gov. Nichols this evening:

It has been represented to the president by the minister of Italy accredited to this government that among the victims of the deplorable massacre which took place in the city of New Orleans yesterday were three or more subjects of the kingdom of Italy, our treaty with that friendly government which under the constitution is the supreme law of the land guaranteed to the Italian subjects domiciled in the United States the most constant protection and security for their persons and property—making them amenable on the same basis as our own citizens, to the laws of the United States and of the several states, in their due and orderly administration.

The president deeply regrets that the citizens of New Orleans should have so disparaged the parity and equality of our judicial tribunals as to transfer to the passionate judgment of a mob, a question which should have been adjudicated dispassionately and by settled rules of law. The government of the United States must give to the subjects of friendly powers the security which it demands for our own citizens when temporarily under a foreign jurisdiction. It is the duty of the president that you will co-operate with him in maintaining the obligations of the United States towards the Italian subjects who may be within the perils of the present excitement, that further bloodshed and violence may be prevented, and that all offenders against the law may be promptly brought to justice.

Depended on Bribery for the Release of the Accused.

NEW ORLEANS, March 15.—One of the chief causes of the public indignation in connection with the Mafia trial has been the belief that the society despatched on bribery to secure the release of the accused. It has been asserted that \$75,000 or \$100,000 was contributed by Italians all over the country to be used as a bribe fund. Thousands of dollars, it was said, came from Chicago, New York and other places where the Italian gangs are congregated in large numbers. It is certain that poor Italian laborers in this vicinity were taxed two dollars apiece as a contribution to the defense fund, and that there was no lack of money in the treasury of the society.

How does he feel?—He feels a violent hiccupping or jumping of the stomach after a meal, raising bitter-tasting matter or what has been eaten or drunk—August Flower the Remedy.

How does he feel?—He feels the gradual decay of vital power; he feels miserable, melancholy, hopeless, and longs for death and peace—August Flower the Remedy.

How does he feel?—He feels so full after eating a meal that he can hardly walk—August Flower the Remedy.

G. C. GREEN, Sole Manufacturer, Woodbury, New Jersey, U. S. A.

Just What was Expected.

CHICAGO, March 15.—Wm. A. Pinkerton was actively engaged in the work of procuring the assassin's slayers, and says the outbreak and lynching was what he expected. Two weeks ago Mr. Pinkerton was in New Orleans and he received assurance from over 100 of the most prominent citizens that if the cowardly murderer was left unavenged by the law the Italian would surely meet his fate at the hands of an angry populace. Mr. Pinkerton was present during the impelling of the jury, and asserts that 150 of the talesmen summoned were in the power of O'Malley and his men, and would not stop at anything to release the prisoners. The prosecution was aware of this at the commencement of the trial, but was powerless. Mr. Pinkerton would not say how many of O'Malley's friends succeeded in getting on the jury.

An Italian Threat from New York.
New York, March 14.—L'Co D'Italia, one of the representative Italian newspapers in this city, issued an extra edition at eleven o'clock today. The paper of the Italian world, and briefly, and was followed with the following editorial appeal: "Without words we want satisfaction in full and complete. If the minister at Washington has not at this hour made his word good, 1,000,000 Italians residing in the United States will know what to do. If the massacre that we have witnessed in this free republic is allowed to go unpunished we will denounce it as assassination. Our word is quickly pledged, we never repeat. Vendetta."

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THE QUEEN'S PREMIERS.

Victoria's Influence in the Selection of Her Ministers.

It is a common error, which survives reiterated correction, that the outgoing minister advises the queen as to the statesman whom she shall send for to the succession to him, and entrust with, says a London exchange, the formation of a government. This is not so, the choice of the sovereign is absolutely unimpeded. It would be a gross breach of etiquette to suggest any name to her. The queen may ask for advice, if she is disposed to do so, but it would be constitutionally improper to volunteer it, and the advice for which she asks is not that of one who by his resignation has ceased to be minister, but that of a counsellor in whose judgment and knowledge she has confidence.

Technically her choice is entirely free, though, like all freedom in this world, it is practically limited by very narrow and restraining conditions. This doctrine was explicitly stated by Sir Robert Peel in the house of commons, in explaining the circumstances of his resignation in 1845. It had been stated that the queen, on his advice, had sent for Lord John Russell. His denial was emphatic.

"I offered no opinion," he said, "as to the choice of a successor. This is almost the only act which is the personal act of the sovereign. It is for the sovereign to determine in whom her confidence shall be placed."

This strictly monarchial privilege is, however, subject to such commonsense as to be very narrowly limited. Theoretically, the queen may send for anyone she chooses—for the man in the street, or for the man over the way. But in practice there is seldom any real freedom of choice. The question which puzzled the Duke of Wellington—how is the queen's government to be carried out—is the question which the queen has to consider.

A stable and efficient ministry derives its stability and efficiency from an adequate and well organized majority in the house of commons. In our system of party government it must be the majority of the party which has shown itself to be in a majority. Its chief must therefore be the acknowledged head of that party, the man whom it habitually follows, with whom it has established relations of guidance and support, who can direct its movements, and keep it together.

The queen proposes, but the dominant party disposes. In a word, the choice of the prime minister really rests with the majority in the house of commons, not by any direct vote or formal choice, but by the regard which the sovereign and ministerial pretenders are obliged to pay to its clearly manifested or well-understood sentiments.

The prime minister is thus chosen by a certain process of natural selection, and not, as the pedantic theory of the constitution pretends, by the will of the sovereign, though the initiative in the matter, and the several steps necessary in order to give effect to that natural selection, rest with her. The function is not a mechanical one. It requires discernment and tact for its smooth and untroubled discharge. Rival pretensions have to be recognized and abated.

The firmness and delicacy with which this function has been performed during the present reign give the queen a high place among the successful practitioners of the difficult art of government. The smooth working of the intricate and delicate machinery of a constitutional régime, which is so easy to throw out of gear, is in no small degree due to the personal qualities of the queen—Albany Argus.

"Bessie—Do you know why Miss Bellows left the church choir?" "Jessie—She said she had so many notes to sing that she couldn't get time during service to answer those the tenor wrote to her."—N. Y. Herald.

THE MARKETS.

NEW YORK, March 17, 1890.
CATTLE—Native Steers, \$4.30 to \$5.75.
COTTON—Middling, 14.50 to 15.00.
FLOUR—Winter Wheat, 1.50 to 1.75.
WHEAT—No. 2 Red, 1.10 to 1.15.
CORN—No. 2, 72 to 73 1/2.
OATS—No. 2, 35 to 36.
PORE—New Mixed, 11 1/2 to 12 1/2.

ST. LOUIS, Mo.
COTTON—Middling, 14.50 to 15.00.
FLOUR—Choice Steers, 1.15 to 1.50.
HOGS—Shipping, 3.50 to 4.00.
HOGS—Common to Select, 3.00 to 3.50.
SHEEP—Fair to Choice, 2.75 to 3.00.
FLOUR—Patents, 4.25 to 4.50.
WHEAT—No. 2, 72 to 73 1/2.
CORN—No. 2, 72 to 73 1/2.
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CHICAGO, Ill.
CATTLE—Shipping, 4.00 to 5.50.
HOGS—Good to Choice, 4.50 to 6.00.
SHEEP—Fair to Choice, 4.50 to 5.15.
FLOUR—Winter Patents, 4.00 to 4.50.
WHEAT—No. 2, 72 to 73 1/2.
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NEW ORLEANS.
CORN—High Grade, 4.00 to 5.00.
OATS—No. 2, 30 to 40.
HAY—Timothy, 10.00 to 14.00.
EGGS—Fresh, 14 to 15.
PORE—Standard Mess, 10.75 to 10.87 1/2.
CORN—Clear Rib, 5.00 to 5.25.
LARD—Prime Steam, 5.00 to 5.25.
WHEAT—Choice Club, 5.00 to 5.25.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

Hannibal now wants a pickle factory. A new opera house will be built in Jacksonville.

Chapin boasts of having ten mails every twenty-four hours.

Golden is to have a new bank. H. H. Emminga will be the banker.

Pleasant Hill voted against license last Monday by a majority of 35.

The Clayton Building Association will soon open a third series of stock.

Pattie Ham, aged 122 years, a colored woman of Canton, Mo., died Sunday.

Greene county has twenty-three divorce cases on hand for next term of court.

Young ladies progressive peanut parties are the latest social dissipation at La Harpe.

Two prisoners in the Virginia, Ill., jail for robbery, escaped and have not been recaptured.

A. Hughes formerly of the Griggsville Press has gone to Carthage, Mo., to engage in business.

The business men of Camp Point have organized a merchants' association for mutual protection.

Several schools in the neighborhood of New Salem have closed because of scarlet fever in the vicinity.

It is rumored that a fifty-barrel flouring mill is to take the place of the defunct wheel-scraper works at Lomax.

Monday the large saw mill on the bay was started up and took from Quincy streets nearly two hundred idle men.

A teacher at Perry Springs school whipped a pupil and now he has to answer in court to a charge of brutal treatment.

Wm. Gilm, of Augusta, now holds the \$100 trophy of the Northwestern Gun Association. It was competed for at Augusta lately.

The man with the terribly scalded arm is still abroad in the land and has shown up lately at several towns in this part of the state.

Fred Musselman, of the Gem City Business College, at Quincy, who engaged Stanley to lecture in that city, lost \$500 on the venture.

A young man in a neighboring town called at the cigar store and asked for "cotton screws." He wanted cigarettes. The name is appropriate.

David W. Jones, of Jacksonville, is no doubt one of the happiest old veterans in Illinois today, being the recipient of a back pension, which, in all fairs up to the neat sum of \$6,000.

Garrison, of the Mt. Sterling Republican, Wednesday week before last, issued an extra edition—the only one of the kind that will be issued from that establishment this year, it is a boy.

A tramp spent the night in a Hancock Co. Congregational church, and used the lesson papers and singing books in the church stove for fuel to keep him warm. A sort of a pious turn.

The Board of Supervisors' proceedings, it will be observed that the building of a new jail will be submitted to the people of this county at the coming spring election.—Mt. Sterling Exchange.

A deputy of Sheriff Pennell got drunk and served a subpoena on a "house man" when it was intended for a person in White Hall. Mr. Pennell stands in with a fine class of hirings it seems. Greenfield Argus.

There are 152 inmates in the Peoria county almshouse. The cost of maintenance at the almshouse last year was \$11,619.75 and for outside relief was \$24,000.00. How do these figures compare with Morgan county?

John Bowen Jr., living northeast of La Harpe, died on the 27th ult., of heart failure. He saw some wild geese in his field, ran to the house for a gun, ran back and shot, falling dead. He was about 29 years of age.

The C. B. & Q. has been, since the first of the present month, cutting down its forces all along the line to lowest point. Three hundred men were laid off at Aurora, while at Galesburg, Burlington and other points, a like reduction was made.

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24 ARTISTS. 24 FARMERS BAND AND ORCHESTRA DON'T FAIL TO HEAR THEM.



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F. W. Rottger, of Mt. Sterling, lost five fine blooded horses last week. The nature of the disease was not known.

At the corporation election last week Perry went against license by four majority and Pleasant Hill went dry by thirty-five majority. The latter place had saloons last year.

Geo. Groves, a Pittsfield harness dealer, failed in business and last Friday sold his stock to John Hesley. The Schott Saddle Co., of Quincy, bought the stock of Hesley to save their claim.

Three horses owned by Mr. E. M. Chase, near El Dara, have been quarantined by Dr. Nighbert, of Pittsfield, on account of being affected with glanders. The doctor has notified the state board and is awaiting orders as to the disposal of the animals.

Application was made to the Secretary of state on Monday of last week for a charter under the state laws, for the purpose of incorporating a joint stock company at Rushville, to erect a large and commodious \$20,000 hotel on the south-east corner of the square.

The city council of Jacksonville have fixed the salary of the city officers as follows: Mayor \$500 per year; aldermen, \$3 for each regular meeting and \$1 for special meetings; treasurer, \$200; attorney, \$400; engineer, \$600; first assistant fire marshal, \$720; fire marshal, \$900; chief of police, \$900; captain of night police, \$720.

The death of J. B. Miller, of Warsaw, this county last week removes a quaint character. He was a painter by trade, but years ago resolved to build a wonderful automaton. He set to work and finally succeeded in perfecting the "City of Jerusalem," which has been exhibited all over the country. The old man realized a large return from years of labor.

On Monday night of last week while an exhibition was in progress at Liberty school house, in Hancock county, a misunderstanding arose between four young men named Charles and Logan Booz, Frank Russell and Thomas Kimbrough, when a fight ensued, in which Charles Booz received several cuts, one across the left shoulder, another on the arm, and one just below the left nipple, which penetrated the left lung. His brother Logan also received rough treatment, being knocked down and otherwise bruised up. Charles may die.

The handsome new Masonic hall at Galesburg was dedicated Friday afternoon with impressive ceremonies of that order. Grand Master J. N. Pearson, of Godfrey, delivered the address.

Mr. Bartell a short time since cut a peach sprout and put it into a flower pot as a brace to the plants. In a few days it began blooming and is now covered with beautiful blossoms. He did the same with some cherry sprouts and they too, are beginning to bloom. Augusta Eagle.

An old lady residing near LaHarpe, who claimed to be converted during a recent revival, went home and called her children around her and said: "Now youngsters I've got religion, and I'll give you two weeks to get it, and if you haven't got it at the end of that time I'll skin you alive."

Here is another instance of the folly of a man giving what he has to his children until he is dead. Wm. Fulton, a wealthy farmer near Bloomington, gave forty thousand dollars in property to his children and they left him to die in the poor house last week and the county buried him.

Mapletown is a mining town about fifteen miles from Peoria. At that place Saturday night in a drunken bout Phineas Stevens drew a knife and cut Ike Freeman in the neck, then in the back and then at the fourth stroke he plunged the blade into the heart and Freeman dropped dead. Both men were miners.

Monday of last week, a mad dog bit two school children at Hamilton. One was a son of John Richards, and the other a child of Widow Terrill. The animal escaped north and is reported to have bitten a young man living three miles out in the country. The children were taken to the Orton mad-stone at Denver. The stone adhered to each wound for three hours.

Monmouth Advance: One morning recently when time to arise came, Mrs. Glover awakened her husband and told him it was morning. He complained it was so dark. In a short time it was discovered he was totally blind. Mr. Glover had attended to business as usual that day and went home after closing up at ten o'clock feeling well. During the night his sight failed him. He felt no pain except a severe headache. Mr. Glover has been a sufferer from weak eyes since leaving the army.

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METHODIST.—Rev. J. B. Wolfe, Pastor. Sabbath School at 3 p. m. Services every alternate Sunday at 11 a. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening. LUTHERAN.—Rev. A. Ricker, Pastor. Sabbath School at 10 a. m. Services every alternate Sunday at 11 a. m. GERMAN.—Rev. G. W. Griesewald, Pastor. Sabbath School and Preschooling every alternate Sunday at 10 and 11 a. m.

SOCIETY NOTICES.

GENEVOLENT LODGE, No. 22, A. F. & A. M. meets on the first and third Saturday of each month. J. J. HANSEN, W. M. H. C. WEGERT, Sec'y. MEREDOSIA CHAPTER, No. 11, B. R. A. M. meets on the first and third Saturday of each month. J. J. HANSEN, W. M. H. C. WEGERT, Sec'y. MEREDOSIA COUNCIL, R. S. M. Regular meeting second Tuesday in each month. H. B. RAY, Sec'y. T. J. W. WOODCOCK, T. I. M. MEREDOSIA LODGE, No. 138, I. O. O. F. meets every Thursday evening at Odd Fellows hall. JAMES SAVAGE, N. G. C. H. B. RAY, Sec'y. A. O. U. F. W. meets every second and fourth Wednesday of each month. H. SCHAFER, M. W. J. O. SMITH, Financier. G. A. B. POST, No. 124, meets second Saturday of each month at Odd Fellows hall. HENRY HODGES, Com. DANIEL WEBSTER, Adj.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our regular correspondence.)

It is believed by those who make a constant study of the undercurrents of politics, that Mr. Harrison and Mr. Blaine have made an amicable arrangement relating to the republican Presidential nomination next year, and that it is something like this: Mr. Harrison's friends are to announce, unofficially of course, that he is a candidate for renomination and that Mr. Blaine is for him. If this announcement, which by the way has been already pretty extensively made, is cordially received by republicans who can control the party machinery in the several States that can be counted upon to go republican, it will, in due time, be followed by official announcements from both Mr. Harrison and his Secretary of State and the name of Mr. Harrison will go before the convention with practically no opposition.

If on the other hand the announcement shall not be well received and the fact shall become plain that Mr. Harrison will meet with strong opposition in his party, he will, at the proper time, announce officially that he will not be a candidate and the full strength of the administration will be thrown to Mr. Blaine. This seems to be all right, as far as the two gentlemen named are concerned, but what about the claims of Messrs. Alger, McKinley, Dewey, et al? Not being possessed of the power of prophecy, I shall have to content myself with asking this question, leaving the answer to those more directly interested.

The acting Secretary of the Treasury has, under the new law, declined to exchange gold bars for gold coin, unless the parties desiring the exchange will pay four cents per \$100, the Government cost for converting the coin into bars. The exchange is usually made by parties who wish to ship the gold to Europe and has heretofore been made free of charge. It is believed by the Treasury officials that this charge will prevent the speculative exportation of American gold, which will, if it turns out to be true, be beneficial to the people at large, but very injurious to the gold speculators.

Hon. Jerry Simpson seems to be "caching on" in great style. He tells me that he has received numerous invitations to make speeches in the east, and that he accepted one to speak before a free trade club in New York City.

There is and has been no excitement in administration circles over the killing of the Italian members of the "Mafia" at the New Orleans, and the action of the Italian minister in connection therewith. The minister presented a protest from his government and Mr. Blaine telegraphed to the Governor of Louisiana for information. That's all there was of it. No important international complications are expected to arise from it, and no one expects that the Italian government will make any unusual demands, although a delegation of fool Italians from Chicago turned up here this week with their heads full of wild ideas about apologies, indemnity and other absurd things. For all the satisfaction they received they might as well have remained at home. It is regarded here as a state and not a national affair, although if it can be shown that any of the men killed were Italian subjects Congress may decide, following the precedent established in the Spanish and Chinese cases, to vote a small sum to their families as a gratuity, it having been stated in former cases that it was so intended and was not to be considered as indemnity.

There is a probability that Cuba may be the first country to feel the weight of the power granted the President in

TOO OLD FOR THE PRESIDENCY.

Senator-Elect Palmer Says the Next President Will Be a Young Democrat.

(Special to the New York World.)

CARLINVILLE, Ill., March 17.—Senator-elect John M. Palmer attended a meeting here to-day, held in his honor. The keynote was sounded by Senator Walker when he said:

"Senator Palmer now stands within the range of the highest goal of an American citizenship, the Presidency of the United States. May God spare his life that he may attain it."

"I am not here," said Mr. Palmer, to speak purely of politics, but to speak of myself."

He then reviewed his record touching upon his change of politics in the fifties and continued:

"I have never been untrue to my connections. I have always acted for the best. I have never left a weaker party for the stronger. I resisted slavery, I resisted rebellion, I resisted military rule in Chicago, and I left the Republican party because it was becoming the party of despotism. I have never turned my back upon an enemy. I have fought it until now and God has given the victory to the people."

"If Cook County had known me in 1888 as it does now I would not now be Senator. But the Governor of Illinois. The fight just finished is full of an interesting lesson. It shows the superiority of the government of the people over the government for the people directed by demagogues. When they saw that Messrs. Moore and Cockrell were liable to come over to the Democratic side, they came to them and offered them 100 Republican votes if they did not vote for Palmer. If these two men had been approached with a bribe of \$100 the whole country would have been outraged. One hundred dollars was not offered, but one hundred votes were. It was shameful. The republican campaign was one of barter and chicanery."

"Ex-Senator Walker has mentioned me in regard to the Presidency. In answer I would say: Look at these hairs of mine."

There were deafening cheers, and it was some time before the speaker could again be heard.

"I am too old," he resumed, "for the Presidency. I do not want the Vice-Presidency. It is a position of too much reaction for an active man who wants to work. It is a position of honorable ease. I can serve you better in the Senate, as I promised before my election that I would willingly serve the people for six years there."

"There will be a Democratic President elected in 1892 and he will be a young Democrat. Young blood and energy is what is wanted in the party now expanding in strength and power."

The following resolution was then adopted:

The manly bearing of Gov. Palmer throughout the Senatorial struggle has drawn upon him the eyes of the whole people of the country, and we commend him to the patriotic consideration of the people as the next Democratic candidate for President of the United States. Illinois should present Gov. Palmer as their candidate for President to the next National Democratic Convention.

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We desire to say to our citizens, that for years we have been selling Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, Dr. King's New Life Pills, Bucklen's Arnica Salve and Electric Bitters, and have never handled remedies that sell as well, or that have given such universal satisfaction. We do not hesitate to guarantee them every time, and we stand ready to refund the purchase price, if satisfactory results do not follow their use. These remedies have won their great popularity purely on their merits. Dr. C. R. Ray, druggist.

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Yours Truly, R. E. BEAUCHAMP.

That Silver Wedding.

Last Saturday evening was the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Lollis. A very large number of invited guests assembled at their residence to enjoy the hospitalities of that most worthy couple for one evening, among the guests being quite a number from abroad. All enjoyed themselves chatting and talking until refreshments were announced when the party repaired to the dining room where they were served with all the dainties of the season.

The linen used on the table was the same as used at their wedding twenty-five years ago, and which was given them as a wedding present on that memorable day. In the center of the table stood a large pyramid cake, decorated with a bouquet of cut flowers, while bouquets of tea-rose buds and carnation pinks, gave the table a most beautiful appearance.

Such gatherings as the above always call up old recollections long ago forgotten, and stir up a warmer friendship between us and our associates. Friends meet who have not met in long years and it cheers the heart to know that he is not forgotten in the mad whirl of the world by his friends, whom he was associated with in his school days. It will make one forget the busy cares of life and he feels that he is more able to battle with the difficulties of life.

Mr. and Mrs. Lollis entertained their guests royally, doing all in their power to make every one enjoy the evening. At a very late hour the guest repaired to their respective homes, wishing the couple may have many more such happy occasions.

Among the guest from abroad were Miss Ella Thompson, Prof. and Mrs. Harker, of Jacksonville; Mr. and Mrs. Lon. Ellis and son, Myron, of Winchester; Mrs. F. H. Spring and son, Ardel, of Beardstown; Miss Sarah Musch, of Virginia and Judge Dresser and wife, of Naples.

Mr. and Mrs. Lollis have lived in the house they now occupy ever since their marriage, and as a token of the high regard in which they are held by their friends a large assortment of the most elegant silverware that could be obtained was presented them of which the following is a list:

Tea set and butter dish, P. Banjan and wife, Dr. Neville and wife, J. H. Carver and wife, Ed. Geiss and wife, A. E. Ritscher and wife, Joel Turnham and wife, J. Kratz and wife, Geo. Geiss and wife, N. Harris and wife, Prof. Decker and wife, D. Webster and wife, Misses Ollie Webster, Ora Black, Mary Cody, Christine Lippert, Ollie and Lettie Bushnell and Emma and Ida James, Mrs. Hatfield, Mrs. Price, Mrs. Zahn, Harry Andre, Gus Graham, Will Looman, John Neville.

Nut Bowl, Owen P. Thompson and wife, Dr. Thompson and sister, Ella, Jacksonville, Ill. Cake basket, L. Ellis and wife, Winchester, Ill. Butter dish, Will Wilday and wife. Ten silver dollars, Mr. and Mrs. Brady, Burlington, Ky. Syrup Pitcher, Hysinger & Graham. Water pitcher and goblet, Minnie Blazer, Salt Lake City, Utah. Pepper and salt box and lace pin, J. R. Harker and wife, Jacksonville, Ill. Toothpick holder, Minnie Martin, Macomb, Ill.

Gravy ladle, Misses Bonnel and McMillen, Wichita, Kans. Cream spoon, Nellie Shaw, Jacksonville, Ill.

Set knives and forks, Judge Dresser and wife, Naples, Ill. Pair napkin Rings, J. W. Hale and wife.

Silver topped blotter, D. Watts. Card receiver, Stafford Smith. Oxidized pin, Sarah Gray, Decatur, Ill.

Card case, Mrs. Stafford Smith. Silver Thimble, Mrs. Schmidt. Tonges and spoon, J. L. Pike. Card receiver, Mrs. Kate Willis, Jacksonville, Ill.

Custor, F. H. Spring and wife, Scott Glover and wife, Beardstown, Ill. Celery holder, Sarah Musch, Virginia, Ill.

Toothpick holder, J. C. Berry and wife, Kirkwood, Ill.

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ITALY is trying to stop emigration, and the United States is praying that she will succeed.

GEN. ROSECRANS, the register of the United States treasury, is remarkably vigorous at 71 years. He breakfasts every morning at 7, reaches his desk by 9, and remains there hard at work until 4. The bulk of his salary goes to old soldiers and other needy claimants on his charity. And yet "Calico" Charles Foster, the new secretary of treasury is after his scalp.

A MEDICAL gentleman of Philadelphia explains Dr. Koch's statement about his lymph in this way: It was written for laymen, but it can be made clear enough. Let us suppose that the bacillus is but a small mosquito; that it stings the flesh and injects a virus. Now, Koch takes the mosquito, kills it, extracts the virus, dilutes it, for it is more powerful than the strongest drug known, and then preserves it in glycerine.

AN English writer says that "The quantity of gold in the world is not nearly so large as it is commonly supposed to be. If it could all be collected in one pile it would form a pile 25 feet high, 45 feet long and 24 feet wide. The reason for the smallness of the space which the world's stock of gold would fill is to a great extent accounted for by the density of the metal. A cubic foot of it weighs more than 1,200 pounds." In view of the discoveries during the last 50 years this appears to be a remarkable statement, and one that should attract the investigation of leading scientists.

The bill prepared by Senator Higbee to permit school districts formed and acting under a special charter as that district is to elect a board of education is provided by the general school law, has passed the senate, and will no doubt pass the house and become a law. The voters of the district on 30 days' notice will first vote as to whether or not they desire the change, and if they decide to vote that they do, then the election will be held. If we are not mistaken the board of education will consist of a president and six members, two of whom go out each year.—Ex.

DEWITT C. CREGER was nominated for re-election to the office of Mayor of Chicago last Saturday. Mr. Creger has been mayor for the past two years and his only opponent was Carter H. Harrison who had a following of less than one-fourth of the duly accredited delegates. The Harrison crowd bolted and went out through the force of nominating Carter for mayor. This action is characteristic to Harrison's political action for many years; with him it is rule or ruin; and this time it will prove his downfall. In no part of Illinois is the democracy better organized than it is in Chicago and Cook county and our prediction is that they will once and for all time dispose of the bolter Carter H. Harrison.—Ex.

That Cherokee strip which so many are anxious to go into as the "Promised Land," is by no means as yet ready for invasion. At Kansas City, last week, Chief J. B. Mayes, of the Cherokee nation on being asked about the condition of things connected with the title to the lands acquired by purchase and patent and we believe the federal courts will sustain us when it comes to a trial. At first we were not inclined to sell, but now we will sell, providing we can get a reasonable price. We have submitted to so much bullying and harrasing that we are desirous of getting rid of the lands. I do not expect to see the Cherokee commission, but will see the senate committee this summer. Congress has failed to do anything, but we think we can make terms. It would, therefore, seem very highly probable that considerable time will elapse before the strip will be opened to the boomers who abide upon its borders.

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Death of Lillie Yost.

The sad news spread over our town on Monday the 23rd that Lillie Yost, who had been a patient sufferer with that dread disease, consumption, had quietly passed on the river of death at the age of seventeen. She was taken sick last June and was confined to her bed since the first of September, last. During her sickness she manifested a beautiful, christian spirit, so gentle and kind to those that ministered to her wants. Lillie was a noble and pure girl and was tenderly loved by her many friends on account of her excellent character. Her physician said all he could do to stay the disease, but God thought best for her to go, and sent a convoy of angels to bear her immortal spirit, on the wings of love, to that beautiful home prepared for her. On Wednesday her remains were taken to the M. E. church where her many friends gathered to pay their last respect to her memory. As the beautiful casket was tenderly borne down the aisle of the church, by six of her young lady friends, the organ pealed forth a solemn dirge that brought a feeling of sadness to every heart. Rev. Ricker, of the German Lutheran church, conducted the services in German, assisted by Dr. W. J. Wacke, in English. After the services her remains were followed to the cemetery by a large concourse of sympathizing friends. The family have the warmest sympathy of the entire community in this their irreparable loss.

Beautiful Lillie fairest of flowers
Bending beneath life's cruel blast,
Into God's garden thou hast now entered,
All thy trials of earth being past.

Christ conquered death from the grave he ascended,
And thou wilt share His mansion of light.
To Him an angel bore the glad tidings,
An Easter Lillie has bloomed pure and white.

Sickness and pain no more shall assail thee
Where thou art now death enters not.
Thou then art mourned by friends and companions,
Thine is by far the happier lot.

Happy Hoosiers.

Wm. Timmons, Postmaster of Ida-ville, Ind., writes: "Electric Bitters has done more for me than all other medicines combined, for that bad feeling arising from kidney and liver trouble." John Leslie, farmer and stockman, of same place, says: "Find Electric Bitters to be the best kidney and liver medicine, made me feel like a new man." J. W. Gardner, hardware merchant, same town says: "Electric Bitters is just the thing for a man who is all run down and dont care whether he lives or dies, he found new strength and good appetite and felt just like he had a new lease on life. Only 50c. a bottle, at Ray's drug store.

From Bluff Spring.

Wm. Schaffer's school closed last Friday.

Louis Carls visited his father and mother last Sunday.

A. W. Blohm made a flying trip to Little India last Friday.

Charley Decker, of Bluff Springs, now sports a new bicycle.

Harry Jokisch has sold his wheat and will deliver it at Bluff Springs.

Harry Jokisch returned home last Friday from Normal, Ill., where he has been attending school.

Christian Dupes and Nettie Street spent last Sunday with Mrs. Juckett's. They report a pleasant time.

The Easter services were well attended at Bluff Spring church last Sunday and the little children done exceedingly well.

No. 63 going west on the O. & M. Thursday morning ditched five cars one mile west of Bluff Springs. No 64 hurt, but cars badly mashed up.

Did you ever stop to wonder why it is that smart men all live somewhere else? Go where you will, you can't find a neighborhood, where a really smart man lives. There are smart men; you know that; you can hear of them in abundance—men whom the whole community will turn out to hear speak, but like the milk sickness, you can't find where they are located. The smart man always lives in the next town or county, but when you get there and inquire of the people, you find it a mistake; he lives a little farther away. It was so in Christ's day, or he never would have said: "A prophet is not without honor save in his own county." We write this because we desire you to appreciate the talent you have, and cultivate and improve it. Do you underrate a thing because you are familiar with it. You are just as apt to have the best as any body else—in fact, do not be satisfied with anything less than the best. This rule will hold good in farm crops, farm stock and in the neighborhood's crop of smart men. Encourage the home talent—Progressive Farmer.

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—Sweet Potatoes, \$2.00.

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—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.

—Subscribe for THE NEWS.

—Young man get your mustache shaved off.

—The Junior of THE NEWS is on the sick list this week.

French Percals at Carver's.

—Labor is going to be good in Mercedia the coming summer.

—Henry Oaks, of Bluffs, was in town on business last Tuesday.

See the Blazer Jackets at Carver's.

—Work will soon be commenced on our new Opera House and hotel building.

See the fine assortment of calico's at Carver's.

—The D. H. Pike passed up the river Sunday and returned Tuesday on her regular trip.

Lace Curtains for 75 cents a pair at Carver's.

—Miss Hattie Bellew, of Camp Point, has been the guest of Miss Rosa Crawford, of THE NEWS since last Thursday.

Twenty cases of hats have arrived at Carver's.

—Add one more to the population of our little city. BORN to Mr. and Mrs. Ike Hubert on last Sunday, a bouncing boy baby. Ike is the proudest man in Mercedia.

Colonial cloth, 30 inches wide, at 10 cents a yard at Carver's.

—The population of Morgan county by official figures of the census recently taken, is 32,636, a gain of 1,122 over the census of 1880, when its population was 31,514.—Jacksonville Journal.

Four pounds of roasted coffee for a dollar at Carver's.

—Here is what the Printers Album, of Chicago, has to say about us: "A large collection of every day commercial work from Hedenberg & Stinson are of more than ordinary merit. The composition is well balanced and tasteful, while the presswork is A. 1."

—Dave Schroll, our enterprising fish dealer, arrived Sunday morning from Johnson, Kansas, where his family is located and where he has been spending the winter. Dave is now getting his fish boat in shape and will be ready for business in a few days.

I can save you money if you want to buy a sewing machine. Call and see me.

A. E. RITSCHER.

An editor whose patience has been sadly abused by delinquent subscribers says: "The price of this paper has not increased on account of the McKinly bill, but we wish to correct the misapprehension of some of our subscribers who appear to think the paper is on the free list."

—Some business men would rather sponge on a country fence than pay a newspaper anything for advertising, which is so true that it is enough to make a printer crack himself on the head with a shooting stick, or drown his devil in the ink keg. Some business men will walk through the mud a whole day with an old paint pot in their hand daubing on every board they come to: "GO TO SMITHS for Your LaRd," when one soft dollar would do several more lines and put them in a decent shape in any respectable paper in the country.—Ex.

The Edwardville Rep. gives the market report of that town as follows: Young men, steady and on the up grade. Married girls, scarce with the demand good, whiskey, going down. Marriages all made, market well supplied; many offers but few are taken. Dogs, town full of them and can be had for the asking. Old bachelors, but few in stock, but an active demand. Widowers, some inquiry for this article, but no supply visible. Widows thicker than black birds around a huckleberry swamp and no trouble to supply the demand.

Ladies' Blouse waists, black and colored at Carver's.

Mrs. C. R. Ray was visiting in Jacksonville last Thursday.

—Read the ad. of Mrs. H. Wegelhof in another column of this issue.

—We hear some talk of an excursion to Peoria on the steamer, D. H. Pike.

—Lon Rea, of Golden, was ducking on the river at this place last Saturday.

—Mt. Sterling will vote on the question of, whiskey or no whiskey, this month.

—Jim Cody, jr., will please accept the thanks of THE NEWS for the mess of ducks.

—We learn that M. S. Lewinson will soon erect a two-story business house in the burnt district.

—Quite a number from this place attended the Palmer ratification at Springfield last Wednesday.

—D. A. Mahoney, of Jacksonville, was in our city last Sunday. He came down to help thin out the ducks.

—Pete Taylor, who is now stationed at Appleton City, Mo., dropped in on us Sunday morning for a few days visit.

—A. E. Ritscher is getting the ground in shape for the erection of a two-story brick business house on the old site.

—Charles G. we sympathize with you over the loss of your pants. Charles has sworn revenge and we wish him success.

—Jim Hamilton, Will Burrus, Jno. Thomas, Charlie Welch and Joe. Williams, all of Naples, were in this place last Saturday.

—The Messrs. Looman's & Brockhouse will take charge of the grocery house of M. E. Geiss about April 10th. Success to the new firm is the wish of THE NEWS.

—Henry and Al Geiss, John Neville, Ike Hubert and Horace Fugate had their mustaches shaved off. They are now prepared to smoke "snipes" with any of the boys.</

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The politician who does the most boasting this year will have the most to eat next year.

Jay Gould is at his old tricks again. This time the western railroads not only are in his control but the sufferers.

The states that isn't represented at the world's fair will lose a great deal more than the exhibition will lose by its absence.

A DESERTED wife has fallen heir to \$30,000. There are a good many wives in this vicinity who would be willing to be deserted for much less money.

The "smart alack" who thought the Farmers Alliance down pour was only a momentary shower is now making for higher grounds with all the speed he can command.

JERRY SIMPSON's prediction that the Alliance will carry at least seven southern states next year isn't pleasing the democrats half as much as the carrying of Kansas did.

WHAT is an "outrageous gory-mandery" asks an anxious correspondent. As near as we can make out it is the restricting of your state by the political party to which you are opposed.

PARNELL may after all lose the woman for whom he sacrificed honor and his political future, as Mrs. O'Shea is reported as having said that she had become tired of Parnell and that she would not marry him when she gets divorced from Capt. O'Shea.

It needs no argument to prove that a hungry Indian can readily become a bad Indian. Hunger will make a savage out of the meekest man or beast; therefore it behooves the Indian bureau of the Government to see that no Indians go hungry through the fault of it or its agents.

In two years it will be difficult to find a man opposed to the election of United States Senators by direct vote of the people, and when the new idea is once adopted it will be still more difficult to find a Senator whose election is tainted by bribery, a task which is now, alas, entirely too easy.

THERE is a slight difference of opinion between the democratic governor of Rhode Island and the democratic governor-Senator of New York, as to who is the governor of Connecticut. It is probable that the same two gentlemen disagree as to who should receive the democratic Presidential nomination.

GOVERNOR HOGG, of Texas, thinks he knows when he gets enough of anything. He has vetoed a bill passed by the legislature, authorizing the acceptance of the sugar bounty by the state for sugar produced on the State sugar plantation. He objects to the bounty because he thinks it will lead to Government supervision and interference with state affairs. This veto may be based on good constitutional grounds, but it will cost the state of Texas a "pretty penny."

"UNEASY lies the head that wears a crown" was never truer than it is today. He is a careless student indeed who cannot, in even a casual study of the present social and political condition of Europe, perceive the marked tendency towards a general upheaval. Whether when the now smothered volcano bursts its bonds and overflows continental Europe the people will simply exchange masters or become their own masters depends largely upon the people themselves.

Is anything impossible? For years we had been told that it was impossible to duplicate the silk veined paper upon which the Government prints its money, which is manufactured under the control of the Government, by a secret process which has made its owners all wealthy; yet this paper has been so well imitated that experts have been unable to tell the genuine and the imitation one from the other. A very dangerous counterfeit \$2 silver certificate is in circulation printed upon this paper, and everyone should exercise care in receiving notes of that denomination. The series counterfeited has a picture of Gen. Hancock on the face of the note.

The alleged spring weather we had in March would seem to indicate that Gen. Greeley, is revenging himself in advance, because of the new law, under which the weather bureau will on the first of July be transferred to the Agricultural department; or perhaps he wants to help along Uncle Jerry Rusk's boom by making the weather so bad that any change is bound to be better.

REFERRING to the appropriation of \$2,000 obtained by Senator Farwell for his experiments in the production of artificial rain, the Philadelphia Times says: "If Mr. Farwell could devise a dynamite system that would work both ways, and give us a dry day occasionally for a change, many a \$2,000 would be placed at his demand to perfect and perpetuate his weather-breeding establishment." The above interesting statement not only suggests a great meteorological want which is felt by Chicago and all other American cities, as well as by Philadelphia, but it shows that Mr. Farwell's great idea has by no means faded from view and that much interest is felt in the result of his rain experiments. Fortunately for the interests of science, the distinguished senator is no longer busied with politics. His release from his political engagements with the nation leaves him at liberty to begin his experiments at as early a date as the weather will permit. The merry month of May, at the longest, will find him on the plains of western Kansas engaged in putting his ingenious rain theory to the test. The results will be awaited with eager interest by the entire country. Mr. Farwell, it is true, failed to attract senatorial lightning at Springfield, but, nevertheless he may be able to bring down rain in Kansas.—Chicago Herald.

NOW FOR CHEAP SUGAR.
The Price Drops From 1 to 2 Cents a Pound.

[New York World, April 1st.]
Everybody can afford to put an extra lump of sugar into his coffee at breakfast this morning because sugar is just two cents a pound cheaper this minute than it was at 11:50 o'clock last night. At midnight the watch dogs of the Treasury at all the sugar refineries and sugar warehouses throughout the United States put on their overcoats and went home. They were no longer required to guard against attempts to smuggle sugar to cheat the Government out of imposed duty tax. At 12 o'clock sharp sugar became free of duty, and the moment the duty was removed the price fell from 1 to 2 cents a pound to consumers.

The sugar refiners have been engaged ever since the 1st of March in refining sugar in bond in anticipation of the moment when the commodity would be placed on the free list. Not only have they refined in bond, but they have shipped in bond to all parts of the country, so that they could at once supply the demand that will be made upon them for the sugar cheapened by removal of the old Government tax.

The McKinley Tariff law provided that all sugar below No. 16 Dutch standard should be free of duty on and after April 1. Sugar above that standard is still subject to a duty of half a cent a pound. This, however, is a reduction of one to one and a half cents a pound, and will be a great saving to consumers of the finer grades of refined sugar.

There was probably less sugar in the hands of wholesale and retail dealers at midnight than ever before in the history of the trade. Those who held a large stock during the last month have done their best to get rid of it at current prices, while those who held but little have only bought from time to time such amounts as the necessities of their trade required. Every barrel of sugar in the hands of the dealers, bought before to-day, means a loss to the dealer of \$4.50 to \$6.50.

At the stroke of twelve last night there was a busy scene at every warehouse where bonded sugar was held in this country. Cartmen were on hand in droves to carry the freight, for delivery to the wholesalers and retailers who supply the public directly.

For a full month the refineries have been hard at work night and day to be ready for the demand that was sure to come to-day. The Sugar Trust has kept its eight refineries in this section busy turning out 15,000 to 20,000 barrels every twenty-four hours, while the Franklin and the E. C. Knight & Co., refineries have been quite as active in preparing for market from 5,000 to 7,000 barrels a day. Claus Spreckles has turned out nearly 60,000 barrels within the last ten days.

Just how long the public will be

blessed with cheap sugar is somewhat of a question. Sugar refiners are not noted as philanthropists, and will be just as anxious to make money out of sugar without a duty as they were when it was hardened with the tax. Ever since Claus Spreckles came to the East and started his refinery in opposition to the Sugar Trust, there have been rumors that he had either sold out to them or had entered the combination. At any rate his threatened opposition has never appeared to make much difference in the price of sugar. A positive statement was made yesterday that not only had he ceased his opposition to the Trust, but that he had actually made an agreement with it to abandon his new refinery to it and confine his operations hereafter entirely to the region west of the Rocky Mountains, the Trust, on its part agreeing to withdraw from that section and to confine its business to the country east of the mountains. Both President Havemeyer and Secretary Searies of the Trust deny that there has been any such agreement. With Spreckles out of the field the Trust and the other refinery companies in the East would have matters to themselves and the question of the price of sugar could be settled with little regard to tariff or Government tax.

The provision of the McKinley bill providing for a Government bounty of 12 cents a pound on all sugar grown in the United States above the standard of 90, will not go into effect until July 1.

He sat in his store on Monday,
Lonely, glum and sad,
The flies were buzzing around him,
Led by a blue winged gad.
Not a customer darkens his portal,
Not a sign of business was there,
But the flies kept buzzing
About the old man's hair.
At last in misery he shouted:
"Great Scott! I'm covered with flies!"
And the zephyr that played with his whiskers said:
"Why don't you advertise?"
In THE MEREDOSIN NEWS.

Three momentous questions will be submitted to the electors of Prairie City this spring: electric lights, the purchase of a fire engine, and the freedom of a town.

Eugene Clemens, of Warsaw, went to Carthage and procured a license to marry Miss Mary O. Mairs. The ceremony took place in Toga the next day. After the two were married there arose a question as to its legality, as the license was issued in Hancock county, and the marriage solemnized in Adams county. To ease the minds of himself and wife, Mr. Clemens went to Carthage and procured a duplicate license and was remarried at Warsaw on the 15th inst.

A rural exchange sums the business up in this style: "The printing press has made presidents, killed poets, furnished bustles for beauties and punished genius with criticism. It has curtailed the power of kings; it has converted bankers into paupers and made lawyers out of college presidents. It has educated the homeless and robbed the philosopher of his reason. It smiles and kicks and cries and dies, but it cannot be run to suit everybody and the man is not wise who tries it."

Every job printing office in the United States is brought into direct competition with the government in the matter of furnishing envelopes with a card printed on the corner. This is wrong and should be stopped. The government should furnish the stamp, but should not print the return request on the envelope. Printing envelopes by the government takes away a large amount of revenue from every printing office in the country besides it is not patronizing home industries, but creating a monopoly within the government. Let every printing shop in the land raise its voice against this custom of the government.—Keithburg News.

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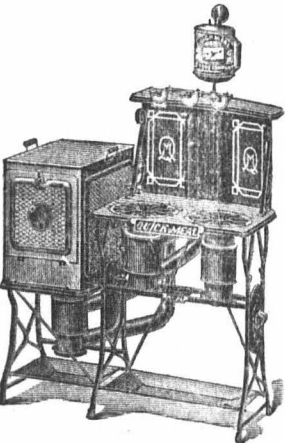
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—Potatoes, \$1. to \$1.50.
—Sweet Potatoes, \$2.00.
—Mixed Feed, \$1. cwt.
—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
—Subscribe for THE NEWS.
—D. Watts Sundayed in Jacksonville.

—Harve Wilson was visiting in town Sunday.

—Bob Gregory, of Perry, was trading here Monday.

—Gus. Graham drove over to Arenzville Monday.

—Jno. Morgan, of Griggsville, is visiting in town.

—Miss Ida Ellis is the guest of her parents at Valley City.

—Elmer Dimmitt, of Griggsville is the guest of Frank Wilson.

—A runaway attracted some attention Tuesday. No damage done.

—Jake Gemming has improved his property by adding a new fence.

—Jno. Vanderlip is attending the funeral of his mother in Michigan.

—Chas. Hazlett, of Clayton, was in the city between trains Monday evening.

—House cleaning time is now almost here.

—Dick Winningham has been draying for Bud Hale.

—Looman Bros. & Broekhouse will take possession next Friday.

—F. Einstman is hauling dirt and grading the road to his elevator.

—Will Hauser and wife went to Beardstown on the Lotus Tuesday, returning Wednesday.

—Ben. Crawford, of Arenzville was in Meredosin last Sunday. While here he left \$1.25 for THE NEWS.

—Dr. W. W. Baxter, a prominent physician, of Brown county, died at Mt. Sterling last week of pneumonia.

—A new crossing has been put in between Keener & Pike's and M. E. Geiss', which has been a "long felt want."

—There is talk among the young folks of presenting a drama in the near future entitled "The Little Brown Jug."

—Carpenters will be in demand in a short time. When the new business houses are begun a large number of men will be needed.

—Chicago is said to have over 5,000 cases of grippe, and the death rate is so large that hearses and carriages cannot be had to bury them.

—Lawson Metz, of Chambersburg, called at our sanctum Monday left us an order for a large number of horse cards. He has a number of the horses which you will do well to see.

—It will now soon be the time of year when all should paint and otherwise beautify their premises. Let all look to this as it adds much to the appearance of a town and suggests much to the stranger.

—The fish commission beat the Lotus, has returned and will make its headquarters here for the summer.

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—Will Hauser and son, Roy, took in the Hub Saturday.

—Harry Andre took in the sights at Jacksonville Monday.

—Mrs. Jackson, of Griggsville, is a guest at Stafford Smith's.

—The Waverly Journal has a new dress. She presents a very neat appearance.

—Misses Lucy Plowman and Ollie Webster were visitors at Jacksonville last Thursday.

—The state of Vermont has appropriated \$5,000 for representation at the world's fair.

—John Slites and son, of Griggsville, delivered two fine horses to Keener & Pike last Friday.

—Os. Ponder, proprietor of the mail route from Perry Springs to Perry, was in town Monday evening.

—It was so wet last week," says the Wichita Eagle, "that the Marion Times felt constrained to come out in an editorial on 'Whither are we drifting?'"

—A Hannibal girl is under the impression that a certain young man in that town is very sweet on her because he addressed her in a personal note as "My Dear Miss Smith."

—Will Italy be represented at the world's fair? It was an Italian who discovered America; but evidently the Italians of to-day need to make a good many more discoveries, and they are going at it in the right way to find out.

—At the palatial residence of Mrs. N. C. Bushnell last Thursday evening occurred the marriage of Miss Ollie Bushnell to Mr. Will Pond, of this place. Rev. J. B. Wolf, of Naples, performed the ceremony in a very impressive manner. The bride was one of Meredosin's most popular young ladies and one of society's brightest lights. Will is a prosperous and upright young man and it is needless for us to sing his praise as every one knows him to be all we claim. After the ceremony the few invited guests sat down to a most bountiful repast prepared for the occasion to which all did justice. The bride and groom were the recipients of some very elegant and useful presents which they appreciate very highly. Their large circle of relatives and friends, together with THE NEWS, wish them a happy and prosperous life.

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—F. A. Ray, of Chicago, who is to erect the new hotel, is here on business.

—M. V. Martin, of Versailles, was in town Wednesday morning. He will accept thanks for favors.

—Ed Heaton killed a northern dove Tuesday. The bird is a fine specimen. He sent it to Scott of Jacksonville.

—M. S. Lewinson and A. E. Ritscher have been preparing the ground on which they will erect their new buildings.

A Jewel Gasoline stove for sale at a bargain, as good as new.

J. C. KRAVZ.
—THE NEWS invites township officers to send their financial statements to this office for publication. The cost will be as low as at any office and the work will be satisfactorily performed.

—The young ladies will give a picnic sociable at the M. E. church on Thursday evening, April 16th. All the ladies and misses are cordially invited to bring, or send, a pie to the church. The gentlemen and boys will purchase one from one of the fair ones. They too will enjoy the purchase thus made. The public are cordially invited to be present. Other refreshments will be had.

YOUNG LADIES COMMITTEE.
Meredosin, Ill., April 8, 1891.

—"Have you seen him?" He stands around with his back to the stove and tells how he could run a newspaper, how he could be as independent as a hog on ice and call things by their right names, how he would expose corruption in high places, how he would write good common sense and of your try-to-be-runny stuff. Then he criticizes other newspapers, and just wishes some one would give him a chance to show his journalistic ability. The way to cure one of these chaps is to get him to agree to write a sensible article every day for a week. Before the week is out he will be pumped dry and gag worse for an article than a chicken ever did with pips.—Ex.

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A Bad Baggageman.
Robert Majors was arrested in Quincy Sunday morning by a postoffice inspector for robbing the mails. He was a "Q" baggage man and came down on Train No. 3 Sunday morning. A large quantity of mail is sent from Galesburg to Quincy in the baggage car. Majors was suspected and the inspector secreted himself in the car before arriving in Galesburg and was hid behind some boxes. He saw Majors open the sacks and take out several packages and arrested him after arriving in Quincy. Majors confessed that he had been pilfering for three months. The articles found on him were worth about \$50. He was taken to Springfield jail in default of \$500 bail. He has worked for the "Q" fifteen years and was considered honest and upright.—Camp Point Journal.

Happy Hoosiers.
Wm. Timmons, Postmaster of Idaho, Ind., writes: "Electric Bitters has done more for me than all other medicines combined, for that bad feeling arising from kidney and liver trouble." John Leslie, farmer and stockman, of same place, says: "Find Electric Bitters to be the best kidney and liver medicine, made me feel like a new man." J. W. Gardner, hardware merchant, same town says: "Electric Bitters is just the thing for a man who is all run down and don't care whether he lives or dies, he found new strength and good appetite and felt just like he had a new lease on life. Only 50c a bottle, at Ray's drug store.

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AFTER TEN YEARS.

A Couple of Divorcees Return to Their First Love.

They Parted Ten Years Ago, She Married Again, Is Left a Widow and Again Takes Her First Choice.

There was a wedding with romantic trimmings at Duffy's Hotel yesterday afternoon.

It was a case of a man marrying for the second time, the mother of his child after a separation of ten years, during which time the divorced wife had become the wife and widow of another.

The contracting parties were Mr. J. W. Edwards, of Sardis, Miss., who is a well-known horseman, and drives Henderson's trotters on the circuit, and Mrs. Ella Myers.

The couple were first married twelve years ago in Mount Sterling, Ill., and a beautiful little girl, Ethel, now 11 years old, blessed the union. But dissensions arose, the mother-in-law being the exciting cause. She did not like her son-in-law and influenced her daughter against him. The result was that the husband being unable to live peaceably at home, left home, wife and child, and the wife obtained a divorce together with the custody of her daughter.

Then Mrs. Edwards married a man named Myers, and lived with him until his death, which occurred four years ago. Two

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PICTURE FRAMES.

Directions for Making Some Very Artistic Designs.

Every one can not afford expensive frames, yet there is no reason why our pictures should remain unframed or in those which are homely or old-fashioned.

An artist who has studied in Munich and bids fair to make her name illustrious at some future day, has made picturesque and artistic frames for her paintings and sketches, all of her own manufacture. Some she makes of common white pine and decorates in various ways, fastening masses, lichens and burs on the corners, or at irregular intervals. They are then treated to a coat of shellac and can be so left or varnished. These are especially pretty for engravings, pen and ink and charcoal drawings.

Some are painted a soft tender gray and have a delicate pattern traced on them. Others are gilded or bronzed or given a coat of white enamel paint. These last are very popular at present.

Frames of plain pine, with a beveled edge, can be made very attractive by giving them a coat of glue, and before they are dry, sprinkling them thoroughly with rice, oat meal or hominy. The edges should be left plain.

When dry, give another coat and when perfectly dry, gild with gold or silver paint. Dried grass and grains are very pretty when fastened on plain pine frames. Oil the frame well and then varnish, leaving the natural color of the wood to show.

Ons are the most graceful for this purpose.

Acorns make unique and attractive ornaments for oak frames and can be gilded, bronzed or simply shellaced.

Fasten a cluster on each corner. Etchings and marine views are now framed in manilla rope and unbleached duck, cut the desired shape from paste-board and cover with duck, being careful to paste the edges all down on the back of the frame. Fasten the end of your rope securely with thread to prevent unraveling and sew it on a frame, leaving several inches at the end. Leave a loop at each corner and begin at the middle of the lower part. Finish with a flat knot and fringe the ends. Paste a piece of plain card-board on the back the same size.

Large gilt picture frames consigned to the attic as antiquaries are now in demand. Paint them with white enamel paint and place a narrow strip of plush or velvet of some delicate color inside; put in your etching, photograph or water color and the effect will be charming.

This is an especially pretty frame for an easel, with a scarf or drape of soft mull or bolting cloth gracefully draped over one corner.

Plush covered frames have been much in vogue for several years for framing brass plaques and other pictures.

A snow scene might have red plush with a tiny bronze molding around the edge, and hammered brass plaque; rich blue, olive green, mahogany, copper color, old rose and old gold are all desirable colors for these frames.

Any one at all skillful in the use of tools can make these frames of plain white pine.

Use glue for fastening on the plush; great care should be taken to have it smooth and even. A layer of padding fastened underneath the plush improves the appearance, but it is difficult to keep smooth and true. It will save much to buy the moldings of the dealer or manufacturer and make them at home. Oak and curly maple are much liked. Other woods can be stained very nicely; ash frames can be stained oak, cherry and mahogany. We can not all afford expensive etchings and oil paintings, but even the poorest can have some pictures. Copies of great masterpieces and photographs can be had within the reach of almost every one.

The frame of a picture should be like the binding of a book, or the dress of a beautiful woman—not striking, but something that will bring out the beauties of the picture. The picture should always be first and the frame secondary, and there should be perfect harmony between them.—Drake's Magazine.

SILK LAMBEQUINS.

Mantel lambrequins are now quite generally made of China silk. A scarf, three or even four yards long is simply hemmed at the short ends, the entire width being used of course, and the sides may or may not have fringe or tassels extending the whole length. This is draped according to the shape of the mantel, sometimes the long ends reaching to the floor, and may be held in place by bric-a-brac. It is easily removed when sweeping day comes, and is more artistic than the stiff felt and rushes of past seasons unless one wishes to furnish a grand parlor. Care must be taken in selecting the color of the lambrequin. In a room decorated by a variety of color, a plain silk which harmonizes with paper and carpet and is not too vague in tone, is a good choice. A plain, tongue, light painted in chestnut leaves, makes a pretty drape. With a plain paper, the figured silks are more effective. Silk, which is a lovely imitation of China silk in cotton and comes in a great variety of colors and patterns, though not in solid colors, may be had for ten or fifteen cents a yard at any of the large dry goods houses, and is an excellent substitute for silk draperies.

—N. Y. Ledger.

In purchasing canned goods it is a safe rule to observe whether the head of the can is concave, a bulging appearance being indicative of decomposition.

A PRIGELESS WIFE.

She Saved Her Bonnet Money and Saved Her Husband.

"My dear, you look worried," said Mrs. Fossdick to her husband, when he came home on a recent evening.

"Do?"

"Yes, and you have hardly eaten any thing. What has gone wrong?"

"I didn't intend to betray any anxiety, my dear," and Mr. Fossdick tried to look cheerful.

"But I can tell from your manner that something has gone wrong. You must tell me all about it."

Mrs. Fossdick went over to her husband and entwined her arms around his neck, coaxingly.

"You can't put me off like that, Harry. Tell me what is on your mind, love."

"Well, I have met with losses."

"Never mind, cheer up!"

"But I have lost all I possessed."

"Not all, dear," replied the sweet woman, "you have me yet."

"Yes, bless your loving little heart, I have."

"And you have your health?"

"Yes."

"Then don't worry."

"But, my dear, we shall have to leave our home that you are so fond of. That slump in stocks took every thing."

"Harry, dear, come up stairs."

Mrs. Fossdick followed her wife into her dainty boudoir, and watched her as she opened a drawer in her escritoire.

She took therefrom a large envelope and bade him open it.

He did so, and to his surprise found that it contained five hundred dollars in bank notes.

"Whose is this?" he managed to ask. Instead of answering his question his wife handed him another envelope and told him to examine its contents.

He did so.

Like the first, it contained just five hundred dollars in large bills.

"But whose money is this, love?" he asked again.

For reply the little woman handed him a third envelope.

This, too, contained five hundred dollars.

"Are you acting as banker for anybody?" Fossdick asked.

"Yes," replied his wife, smilingly, and she handed to her husband another envelope, similarly filled.

"Who is the depositor?"

Another envelope was handed to Mr. Fossdick, and it, too, held five hundred dollars.

"That's all," said the happy little woman. "That is twenty-five hundred dollars. And that's what you have to begin life again with, Harry."

Mr. Fossdick's eyes opened widely.

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TERMS \$1.25 A YEAR, IN ADVANCE.
GENTLE spring (if it ever arrives)
will revive picnic excursions, matri-
mony and wood ticks.—Ex.

P. T. BARNUM the great showman,
died at his elegant home in Bridge-
port, Conn., last Tuesday, after an ill-
ness of near six months.

THE question, "why do not women
marry?" which is now being discussed
in this country, should be referred to
Evelyn Neal, the handsome English
woman in Paris, who has had forty-
three husbands.

TEXAS has a Hogg for a governor, a
Pigg for judge, a Lamb for senator, a
Durham for representative and a
Buffalo for Sheriff. And the farmer's
Alliance continue to stir up the ani-
mals.

WHEN a man starts down hill he
will find a clear road and the track
greased; but if he pauses in his mad
career and starts up again, he will find
people staying up nights to chain rails
on the track and close up the right of
way.

A MEDICAL contemporary warns the
public against handling greenbacks
and paper currency generally on
account of the germs of disease likely
to be conveyed thereby. This causes
the country editor, who takes his pay
in cordwood and garden sass, no alarm.

ITALY has withdrawn her minister.
Now if she will withdraw her monks
and doleful musicians and those
heathen who "sella da banana and
lika da Amelica monya" they will be-
stow a blessing upon this country
which will be appreciated for all time
to come.—Hearstown Star.

A NEW ORLEANS paper reminds the
Italian press that 22 English and
American tourists have been captured
by brigands in Italy during the last five
years, and of this number nine
were murdered because they could pay
no ransom. The Italians govern-
ment moved not a hand in any one
case, nor did England or America
make any threats.

THE Carthage Republican expresses
this opinion:—The best legislature
that Illinois ever had is the one now in
session four days in the week at Spring-
field. It has passed no bills, amended
no laws, and squandered no money
beyond its per diem and expenses of
the session. So far from finding fault
with the weekly adjournment (virtually)
from Friday to Tuesday, the tax-
payers ought to be gratified that so
much time is lost to opportunities for
vicious and needless legislation.

THERE'S only one town in this wide,
wide world where, by standing at the
nook fender or no fender, the Republi-
cans always "rest there" in good shape
—with both feet, as it were. Mr.
Fields, editor of the Versailles Enter-
prise, was sick on Tuesday last, and
couldn't get to the polls to vote, and
the moderator, generous, sympathetic
soul that he is, took the ballot box
over to the residence of ye editor and
received ye aforesaid editor's vote.
Now, that ballot box should have been
peddled out among the sick and ailing
generally. There was Mr. Henry only
a block or two further up the the
street who was sick and who should
have been permitted to vote. This
"fish of one and flesh of another" busi-
ness is all top-sided, so to speak. Be-
sides, Mr. Fleck might have been
elected if that ballot had been impar-
tially peddled, whereas, under existing
circumstances he will be compelled to
lug at a sapless nipple till next spring.
Horrors of horrors—terrible to contem-
plate.—Mt. Sterling Examiner.

Mixing Wools.

A Boston letter to a trade journal
contains the following:

Important changes have been made
in the manufacture of dress goods, at
the Arlington mills. They have
adopted the method of the providence
(R. I.) worsted mills in preparing their
raw material. Instead of using
foreign wool only, as in past years,
they have begun the new season by
using a combination of Australian
domestic fleece and territory wools.
The Fletcher mills, at Providence
have made a great success in making
dress goods and worsteds under this
plan, and the Arlington will no doubt

do the same. As a consequence the
latter mill has been a heavy buyer of
fleece and territory wools since the be-
ginning of the year, and has been the
chief factor in reducing the stock of
territories in this market. This com-
bination of three kinds of wool gives a
top finish that makes a good selling
grade for the present demand.

The writer of this is not thinking of
the tariff at all, but he unconsciously
makes a telling argument for free wool.
The foreign wools are needed for mix-
ing with American wools.

JUDICIAL CONTEST.

The Primary Election in This County
Results in Victory for Judge
Epler.

The weather Saturday was as pleas-
ant as any one could wish, in fact, too
fine and mild to induce the farm-
ers to desert their work for primary
election, and as a consequence the vote
in the country precincts was much
lighter in proportion to the strength
than in this city. Nevertheless, the
contest was a spirited one, waged in
good spirits and friendly rivalry, so far
as we know or have heard, there
having been nothing done by Judge
Epler, Major Callon or either of their
friends to create ill feelings or heart-
burnings to those who differed with
them in their choice for circuit judge.
The contest was more evenly divided
than many supposed it would be, the
estimates of the ardent friends both
placing their favorites far in the lead.
The result in this county insures the
nomination for Judge Epler, whoever
else may be placed on the ticket with
him.

The vote in the several precincts
and districts was as follows:

JACKSONVILLE PRECINCT.	EPLER.	CALLON.
Waverly—No. 1.....	501	472
Franklin—No. 2.....	50	34
Franklin—No. 1.....	95	56
Murrayville.....	54	22
Woodson.....	36	82
Lynnville.....	27	17
Bethel.....	13	74
Meredosia.....	83	35
Concord—Callon's majority.	40	37
Arcadia.....	61	29
Alexander.....	74	39
Sulphur.....	15	28
Total.....	1074	918

Epler's majority in county, 156.
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—Subscribe for THE NEWS.

—Thursday, April 30th is the last
day of school.

Garden making is the order of the
day in this vicinity.

—Mrs. M. E. Ryland was trading in
Jacksonville Monday.

—There is a good opening in Mere-
dosia for a first-class bakery.

—Henry and Ab. Metz, of Chambers-
burg, were on business here Friday.

Fresh bread at Geo. Geiss's.

—Capt. Harper, of Naples, was
looking up old friends here Saturday.

—Shooting ducks is a thing of the
past. The season closed last Wednes-
day.

—Brick laying will be commenced
on C. H. Purnell's new building this
week.

Go to Geo. Geiss for your fresh bread.

—Misses Hattie Andre and Ida
James were Jacksonville visitors, Sat-
urday.

—Capt. C. C. Keener and wife de-
parted for Denver, Colo., last Sunday
evening, to be absent several days.

—The following are the members of
the graduates for 1891: Hattie E. Tur-
ner, Ollie M. Webster, Charlie H.
James, Louise L. Ryland, Hattie V.
Andre, and Fritz C. Yeck.

—Mrs. C. C. Keener visited her
mother at Beardstown Thursday and
Friday.
—Best meat at all times at Lewin-
son's.

—Tom Ball has accepted a position
at Geiss's meat market. Ike Harbert
having resigned.

—Mrs. Hessekamp and daughter
visited her sister in Decatur last week,
returning Saturday.

Geo. Geiss has made arrangements
with the Jacksonville bakery to handle
their bread in the future.

Wiener Wurst and all kinds of bo-
logna at Lewinson's.

—B. R. Wilday and H. C. Wegehoff's
names are mentioned as candidate for
school directors next Saturday.

Meats sold at former prices at Lew-
inson's.

—The Steamer Lotus will leave for
the head of the river this week, and
will be absent for several days.

—We were shown the plans of A. E.
Ritscher's new building a few days
since. It is going to be a jim dandy.

—Charlie Purnell has the brick on
the ground for his new building and
has begun work in earnest this week.

—If you want meat at low prices go
to Lewinson's.

—John Vanderlip who was called
to the bedside of his mother at Mich-
igan returned home last Saturday.

Fine hams, shoulders and side meat
at reasonable figures at Lewinson's.

—Pat Cody, who has been at the
lower locks at Campville, returned
Sunday. The force has been laid off
on account of high water.

—We received this week a neat little
pamphlet, issued by the J. S. E. line,
entitled "The Adventure of Simon
Sage." The J. S. E. is getting to the
front.

—John Edmundson, wife and chil-
dren, of Morgan, Sunday with his
brother, Julius, of this city. We sup-
pose John got the fish and trimmings
asked for.

—Misses Delphine Houston and Lydia
Beauchamp are now engaged in dress-
making. They kindly solicit your
patronage and will try to do their
work satisfactorily.

Remember we pay the highest price
for good feathers at the Renovator.
Five hundred pounds wanted by May
1st.

—Park McDaniel, of Versailles, was
the city Monday.

—Keener & Pike shipped a barge of
grain to St. Louis Tuesday.

—Miss Minnie Malott, of Bethel, is
the guest of her friend, Miss Lulu
Moon this week.

Give me a call for staple groceries,
and greatly oblige, yours,
LEWINSON.

—The Winchester glee club, consist-
ing of ten people, will furnish the music
for the commencement.

The verdict of the people is that
the work done at the renovator is first
class in every particular.

—The Niagara left this place for
St. Louis Tuesday morning loaded
with grain from F. Einisman.

—The cyclorama of the Johnstown
horror was exhibited at the M. E.
church Tuesday evening. The paint-
ings were elegant.

Remember that you now have a
chance to have your heads cleaned.
When the renovator leaves your chance
is gone. Have the work done at once.

—The return of the favorites, Chas.
and Gypsy LaGardo, will be welcom-
ed with genuine pleasure by our
loving people. At Opera House, Apr.
16. Don't fail to see them. Better
than ever.

—Gov. Fifer and son, Herman, Maj.
B. Wilson and Chas. Hansal, came
down from Springfield last Thursday
evening for a couple of days sport
duck hunting. While here they were
entertained by that ever popular
gentleman, Fish Commissioner Bart-
lett, on the steamer Lotus.

We are better prepared than ever to
do first-class work at the Renovator,
having had our machine thoroughly
overhauled and everything is now in
first-class condition.

T. K. BALL & SON.

—The young ladies will give a pie
sociable at the M. E. church on
Thursday evening, April 16th. All
the ladies and misses are cordially in-
vited to bring, or send, a pie to the
church. The gentlemen and boys will
purchase one from one of the fair ones.
They too will enjoy the purchase thus
made. The public are cordially in-
vited to be present. Other refresh-
ments will be had.

YOUNG LADIES COMMITTEE.
Meredosia, Ill., April, 8, 1891.
Subscribe for THE NEWS.

—Henry Geiss is in town for a few
days.

—Looman Bros. & Brockhouse have
taken possession of the store formerly
owned by M. E. Geiss, and propose to
sell goods at bed rock prices. See their
ad. in this issue.

A Jewel Gasoline stove for sale
at a bargain, as good as new.

J. C. KRATZ.

—Ladies wishing fine millinery
should call on Mrs. W. M. Smithson
at her residence, two doors north of
Looman Bros. & Brockhouse store and
see her line, as she has recently open-
ed up a large stock which she will
dispose of at very low prices. She
guarantees the latest style and best of
satisfaction in every sale. Call and
examine her stock as it is large. See
her ad. in this issue.

—If ministers would take the
trouble to send a report to the news-
papers of little happenings that come
within their sphere, such as marriages,
deaths or any special item relating to
the church or church work, it would
be a most welcome favor and eliminate
many errors in such reports because
the editor has not the time to investi-
gate the matter. The press has done
a great deal for the ministers and it is
about time for ministers to begin to
reciprocate a little. This is not writ-
ten for the benefit of any particular
one or any particular newspaper, but
for the benefit of the craft in general.
The newspaper man's lot is not as easy
as some people seem to think it is, and
any little favors of this kind that are
thrown in his path are treasured up
and paid back ten-fold in your hours
of need. Every minister of the gospel,
no matter who he is or where he is,
should act upon this advice. They
have all to gain and nothing to lose by
it. Remember the men who have
helped you most.—Ex.

—We thought Hon. Jerry Simpson
was the only man in the world with-
out socks, but we are mistaken. We
found down in Pike county the other
day, about midway between Barry and
Rockport, a man nearly seventy years
old who never wears socks summer or
winter, nor has he worn them for fifty
years. He never had an undershirt or
a pair of drawers in his life; he neither
drinks nor smokes nor chews, although
he makes whiskey himself and is a
rugged specimen of hardy manhood
even with his seventy years weighing
him down. The peculiarities are
daily revealed to the Evangelist as he
climbs the hills and scours the valleys
among the brandy stills of this dis-
trict. This gentleman of whom we
speak is an honest industrious man;
enjoys a splendid reputation among
his neighbors and makes good whis-
key. He can neither read nor write
and yet transacts business safely and
satisfactorily. He lives among the
hills; goes to bed at seven in the even-
ing and is up again at four in the
morning and never was sick in his life.
He is a wonderful man and his
daughters are the wives of prominent
men in business and politics in the big
state across the river and are greatly
respected for their many excellent
personal qualifications.—Quincy Sat-
urday Review.

Millinery Goods at

NOTICE.—The Publishers of this paper hold themselves responsible for any views that may be advanced by correspondents. To insure insertion communications must reach us not later than Tuesday noon. Correspondence solicited.

From Bluffs.

Trade in our little town is good. The Bluffs High School will give a drama here in the near future.

Mrs. Mable White is down with la grippe in Oxville where she has been in attendance on her brother-in-law, J. K. White.

George W. Merris came down from Springfield and spent Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday, with his family in Bluffs.

Mr. Elmer Hale who has been confined to his room for about 9 weeks with rheumatism was able to walk out Sunday, with the aid of a cane, for the first time since he was stricken down.

Scott Lodge, No. 702, I. O. O. F., installed their officers last Saturday night. Geo. Thorn, Jr., N. G.; J. E. Anderson, V. G.; R. D. Merris, R. S.; S. R. Clark, P. S.; Jesse H. Carver, T.

Mr. Elmer Hale who has been confined to his room for about nine weeks with rheumatism, was able to walk out Sunday, with the aid of a cane, for the first time since he was stricken down.

Our town is still on the boom. Several new houses will be built this spring. H. H. Crew has commenced to build. G. W. Mathers has bought his lots and will build in the near future.

Health in our town is good at this writing, but Dr. Carver reports many cases in the country among whom are Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Burbanks, Washington, Harry Sears, Wm. Brockhouse, Henry Brockhouse, Mrs. Fuss, Mrs. Chas. Merris, Chas. Burris, Mrs. Hoofker and many others.

Died, at her home April, 8th, 1891. Mrs. Sarah Rockwood aged 76 years and 1 day. Mrs. Rockwood's maiden name was Sarah Hilderbrand, born in Cincinnati, Ohio. At the age of two she emigrated with her parents to Switzerland county, Indiana, then a wilderness. She married Samuel Rockwood in Vevy, Ind., in 1836, emigrating to Ill., in 1838 and landed in Naples on Christmas day. By the union of Sarah Hilderbrand and Samuel Rockwood seven children were born, namely: Mary Rockwood, now dead; Hzmnah Kearns, now dead; Samuel Rockwood, now dead; Edward Rockwood, now dead; G. W. Rockwood, who resides in Missouri; Benj. F. Rockwood, of the firm of Rockwood & Green and John Rockwood, now dead. Aside from the bereaved family, she leaves a host of friends to mourn her loss.

Died, at her home near Neeleyville, Ill., on Friday morning April 10th 1891, Mrs. Mary Brockhouse, at the age of 61 years and 5 months. Mrs. Brockhouse's maiden name was Mary Vortman. She was born in Bathing, Hanover, in Nov. 1821, was married to Detrick Pieper, of Ant Borsenabuck, Hanover, in 1843, and with her husband emigrated to America in the fall of 1843. They landed in Meredosia Ill., and moved on the tract of land then owned by Mr. Pieper. In the fall of 1846 she was left a widow with two small children, one son and one daughter. After remaining a widow for about one year she married Detrick Brockhouse living with him 27 years and by this union seven children were born three sons and four daughters all of whom survive her. Mrs. Brockhouse has resided on the farm, where she died, for the period of 48 years. She leaves 6 children fifteen grand children and 2 great grand children to mourn their loss. Mrs. Brockhouse was loved and respected by all who knew her and her children have the sympathy of the entire community.

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R. A. McCoy,
Solicitor of Pensions, Versailles, Ill.
Reference Editor.

LABOR IN SOUTH AMERICA.

Primitive Methods of the Native Laborers in Chile.

We were anchored in the bay of Coronel. The Osiris was surrounded by highers laden with coal, which was being rapidly shoveled into the bunks by dark-skinned natives. The white mist that hung over us made the water look like dull silver; in the foreground were ships at anchor and small lighters provided with winches and nets for dredging up the bits of coal that fall in to the water while the steamers are loading; in the background were the winding wheels of the coal-pits; the moles surrounded by trains of coal trucks; the sickly, sulphurous smoke streams of the inevitable smelting-works; the small town of Coronel clustered along the sandy black beach; and behind, the green hills diapered with mule paths and patches of red or yellow earth. The meals of the coal-heavers on the foredeck interested us. Great bowls of beans, lumped of salt beef and fat, piles of biscuits and gallons of coffee were served out to them. Each man took what he needed of the solids, chose his corner on the rail, over the hatches, or simply on the bare deck, and ate with no more comfort than a dog. Then each man produced a large violet mussel shell, which he used in lieu of a spoon to scoop up the beans and drink the coffee. Let me remark that these coal-heavers earn high wages, as much as five Chilean dollars, or say ten shillings gold a day, and their food gratis; and yet they remain little better than good-natured brutes, taking no strong drink while they are at work, but ready for any quantity of dissipation after sunset, imprecident in the extreme, and willing to work, and to work well, only when they have no money left to spend. Watching those strong, muscular fellows, I had some conversation with the Russian timber merchant about his experience of men and things in Chile, the subject having been led up to by my remarking the frequent evidences of primitiveness in Chilean methods of working. Speaking of the great strength and hardness of the Chilean native laborers, Herr C. said that this was still more noticeable in the more southern forest districts. At Puerto Montt, for instance, which is one of the most important timber points, the work is done entirely by hand. The trees are felled with axes, sawn into planks on the spot by hand, and the planks carried to the port from a distance of ten or twelve miles balanced on the shoulder of a man, who goes along under his burden at a run. None but native Chileans could do such work, and given the absence of roads, and above all the nature of the workmen, all attempts to modernize the methods of getting out the timber have failed. Experiments have been made in introducing North American machinery, but without success. The immigrants have invariably lost their money, and the natives, accustomed to do every thing with their own hands, have in the end wilfully broken the machinery, in order to have done with it. I mentioned the fact that the Chilean Government, as I had been informed, meditated the essay of Norwegian and Swedish colonists in these southern forest regions. Herr C. was of opinion that this scheme is utterly impracticable for the simple reason that Scandinavian colonists would refuse to live like pigs, as the Chileans live. The present primitive methods are the cheapest and the most practical.—Theodore Child, in Harper's Magazine.

CARE OF A PIANO.
With Proper Attention It Will Last a Lifetime.
With proper care and attention a good piano should last a family a lifetime, says Charles H. Steinway, the piano manufacturer. If this is not given it the piano will in time become harsh and "tin-panny" and afford little satisfaction or delight to its owner. Ordinary practice, whether by a child or a grown-up person, will not injure a piano in any way. It is not necessary to be a professional pianist, and to know exactly with what force to strike the keys in order to keep the instrument in good condition. Of course, it will not be improved by thumping the case, or by striking the keys with any hard substance. Neither does this remark apply to schools and institutions where playing is taught and the instrument is used continuously for ten or twelve hours every day. In the latter case the felt portions will wear out sooner than if used in a private family. The matter of tuning should not be neglected and should not be entrusted to any other than an experienced person. Incapable tuners often work irreparable injury to the most perfect and costly instrument. During the first year a new piano should be tuned every three or four months, at least. After that it will only be necessary to have it tuned at longer intervals.

Dampness is the most dangerous enemy the piano has to contend against, and for this reason the climate must be considered. If the instrument is placed in a damp room, or left open in a draught of air, the result will be that the strings, tuning-pins and the various metal will become coated with rust, and the cloth used in the construction of the keys and action become swollen. It is positively painful to play on such a piano.—Ladies Home Journal.

—A Reason.—"Why do you call these cigars Flora Debutante?" "Because they cost like the mischief and are all the time going out," said Peter Panella, ruefully.—N. Y. Sun.

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There is one thing that should not be exhibited at the World's Fair—a Chicago municipal election.

"INSANITY" as a plea for murderers has given way to "hypnotism," or as old-timers used to call it "mesmerism."

The much reviled hay-seed has become an object of admiration with the politicians. Verily the "world do move."

Mr. HARRISON evidently isn't superstitious or he would not venture to "swing around the circle" in the face of the fate of the other Presidents who accomplished that feat.

We haven't much of a navy to fight Italy with, but if the American eagle emits one of his fiercest shrieks the organ grinders will all be frightened out of seven years growth.

The adage that "few office-holders die, and none resign" will have to be revised if Senator Edmunds becomes contagious. However, come to think of it, an epidemic of resignations would please a great many people.

There is always hope for a man who is aware of his own faults. Ex-Senator Blair, just before sailing for China, his new post of duty, declined to be interviewed, saying: "I have talked too much already." He had evidently read the newspapers.

When the young emperor of Germany has a spell of indigestion and speaks a little cross, as all of us are liable to do under similar circumstances, all Europe shivers with fear and the air is full of war rumors. Americans have many troubles, but, thank heaven fear of war isn't one of them.

EX-SENATOR INGALLS says he proposes to devote his attention to making money by farming. We trust that he will succeed; but whether he does he will be better occupied than in making money out of the farmers, by exacting usurious rates of interest for money loaned upon mortgage, as he is credited with having done for years.

It was Senator Sherman originated the expressive political phrase "I am looking after my fences," and he has now started a new one on its travels by saying: "I came out here to build a barn." There are not a few people in Ohio who would like to know the kind of crop the wily politician proposes to store in that barn.

Is John Bull hatching up a scheme to capture the President of the United States for the purpose of holding him as a hostage until certain disputed questions are settled? The mayor of the town of Victoria, British Columbia, has invited Mr. Harrison to visit that town when he gets in the neighborhood, which he will do this month.

There is a wide difference of opinion in the ranks of the republican party on the question of Canadian reciprocity. Senator Morrill says: "It will never come," and ex-Representative Butterworth says: "It is bound to come." These, of course, are the extremes, but even among those who favor the idea there is little hope of anything being accomplished under present circumstances.

Who pays for the costly and magnificent special train that the railroads have placed at Mr. Harrison's disposal during his across-the-continent trip? The people at large do, and you, dear reader, must put up your share of the money in some shape, for you may be sure that, although the railroads furnish the train free of any charge to Mr. Harrison or any member of his party, they expect to be recompensed therefor. It occurs to us, in this connection, that an accurate statement of the expense incurred by the running of special trains and cars on all the railroads of the country would make what the late Horace Greece used to call, "mighty interesting" reading for the people, and it also occurs to us that if this expense, which must be enormous, was wiped out by abolishing the practice that the railroads could afford to make a material reduction in the price of both freight and passenger traffic without reducing their profits.

SECRETARY TRACY is deserving of the sympathy of all honest people in his efforts to take the navy yards of the country out of politics, but he will probably realize, if he has not already done so, that he has undertaken the largest contract of his life, and his failure to carry it out need not surprise anybody. Mr. Tracy is only one man and the politicians who work the navy-yards for their own personal benefit are numerous and influential.

LA GRIPPE is still making deadly work throughout the north and northern cities. A New York correspondent on Monday had this to say of the fatality thereabout: "The high death rate of last week in this city and Brooklyn had a curious result yesterday. The undertakers were unable to handle the business coming to them, as they did not have hearse enough. Sunday is the great day of the week for funerals, owing to the fact that men can attend on that day without neglecting business, and as a rule, if death occurs during the last half of the week, the funeral is deferred. Yesterday, however, many funerals had to be postponed. The usual death rate in Brooklyn last week—430—is supposed to have been the result of the grip, for although there were only sixteen deaths from influenza, the increase in those from pneumonia, bronchitis and diphtheria tells the tale. The cemeteries across the river were crowded yesterday and most of the funerals carried funerals across. In the Bowery there was almost a procession of carriages as one hearse followed another. Many coffins were brought in on undertakers' wagons, it being impossible to supply hearses for them and the friends being unwilling to wait until to day."

Happy Hoosiers.

Wm. Timmons, Postmaster of Indianapolis, Ind., writes: "Electric Bitters has done more for me than all other medicines combined, for that bad feeling arising from kidney and liver trouble." John Leslie, farmer and stockman, of same place, says: "I find Electric Bitters to be the best kidney and liver medicine, made me feel like a new man." J. W. Gardner, hardware merchant, same town says: "Electric Bitters is just the thing for a man who is all run down and don't care whether he lives or dies, he found new strength and good appetite and felt just like he had a new lease on life. Only 50c. a bottle, at Ray's drug store."

Town Ordinance to Establish the Grade of Main Street West of the Public Square to Front Street.

Be it ordained by the President and Board of Trustees of the Town of Meredosias, That the elevation of grade at the northeast corner of Front and Main streets, shall be 000, taking the elevation of the bench mark on foundation of the Farmers' and Traders' Bank, marked C D at 25-100 feet. At the southeast corner of Front and Main street, 000, 50 feet east of Front and Main streets 290. At the northwest corner of Washington and Main streets 330. At the southwest corner of Washington and Main streets 330. At the northeast corner of Washington and Main streets 330. At the southeast corner of Washington and Main streets 330. And the grade at any point between the points named, shall be on a straight line between the elevation named above as shown by the profile marked "Profile of Main Street, Meredosias, Ill." Dated at Meredosias this 21st day of April, 1891.

H. C. WEGHOFF, Clerk.

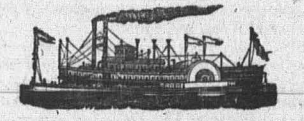
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Customers will find our stock complete and all sold at

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Along the lines of the BURLINGTON ROUTE in Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming and northwestern Kansas, particularly on its new extensions in that territory there is still some Government Land awaiting settlement, as well as other cheap land held by individuals. These lands are among the best to be had anywhere in the country for agricultural and grazing purposes. In the comparatively new districts are many improved farms which can be purchased at a very low rate of that class of restless pioneer settlers who are ready at all times to move "farther west." In the territory embraced by the BURLINGTON'S lines west of the Missouri River there are in the vicinity of two hundred new towns which offer to manufacturers and business men an excellent opportunity to locate with profit. Sent to the undersigned for descriptive pamphlets and other matter giving location and full particulars concerning these lands.

A MAP OF THE UNITED STATES. A large, handsome Map of the United States, and showing North and South Dakota, mounted, and suitable for office or home use and issued by the BURLINGTON ROUTE, will be furnished responsible parties free on application to the undersigned.

PLAYING CARDS. For 15 cents, either in postage or by applying at Room 12, C. B. & Q. R. R., General Office, corner of Adams and Franklin streets, Chicago, you can obtain a pack of best playing cards.

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Red Table Damask, fast color, 25c per yard. Outing Cloths at 8 1/2 to 10c per yard. Colonial Cloth, 30 inches wide, 10c per yard.

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SEE OUR HAT DISPLAY IN SHOW WINDOW TO-MORROW.

MENS', BOYS AND CHILDRENS HATS FROM 35c UP TO THE FINEST. We invite you to come and see our display. We are making prices lower than ever and will state that we will not be undersold. Again, I thank the many customers for past favors. Truly Yours,

J. H. CARVER.

The Meredosias News.

PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY

When no time is specified, advertisements and local notices will be published until ordered discontinued.

MEREDOSIAS AND VICINITY.

—Lard, 7c.
—Oats, 50c.
—Corn, 60c. to 65c.
—Meal, 80c.
—Eggs 10c.
—Wheat 95c
—Flour, \$1.30.
—Butter, 20c
—Lard, 90c. cwt.
—Coarse Feed, \$1. cwt.
—Shipstuffs, \$1. cwt.
—Hogs, \$4.25 to \$4.50.
—Potatoes, \$1. to \$1.50.
—Sweet Potatoes, \$2.00.
—Mixed Feed, \$1. cwt.
—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
—Subscribe for THE NEWS.
—Chas. Summers spent Sunday in Bluffs.

Lowest prices on watches, clocks and jewelry at Ray's drugstore.

John Morgan, of Griggsville, is visiting here.

Fresh bread at Geo. Geiss'.

Chas. Chance, of Bluffs, was in town Tuesday.

Subscribe for THE NEWS.

Prof. Henderson, of Versailles, was in town Tuesday.

For lumber at low prices go to Ray's.

William Kite, of Naples, is working on Dr. Ray's barn.

Joe Frye and family, of Naples, spent Saturday in this place.

New spring styles of hats and veiling just received at Mrs. Smithson's.

The Pike went up the bay Tuesday after sacks at Keener & Pike's warehouse.

New spring styles of wall paper at Ray's.

H. C. Weghoff, our popular hardware dealer was in Beardstown last Friday.

Geo. Geiss has made arrangements with the Jacksonville bakery to handle their bread in the future.

NEATNESS & DISPATCH.

—Jno. Lutkemeyer and family Sunday in Jacksonville.

Strictly pure white lead 6 cents a pound at Ray's.

—Tom Burrus and John Vanderlip spent Sunday in Naples.

Jennie June sewing machines at \$23.50 for the next 30 days. J. C. KRATZ.

—Stafford Smith and wife and Miss Susie Jackson are visiting in Griggsville.

Singer sewing machines at \$22 for a short time only. J. C. KRATZ.

—Pet Rowland spent Sunday in Naples visiting her many friends.

The Wheeler & Wilson sewing machines "the boss" as light as a runner. For sale by J. C. KRATZ.

—T. K. Ball entertained a sister from Griggsville at his home last week.

The finest line of laces and veiling ever brought to this place at Mrs. Wm. Smithson's.

—Miss Lizzie Watts, of Naples, was a pleasant caller at THE NEWS office last Saturday.

—Notice the new ad. of the St. Louis, Naples & Peoria Packet company in this issue.

—Milo Ripley made a flying trip on the steamer D. H. Pike to Beardstown and return last week.

—Ed Crampton, city surveyor, of Jacksonville, was here Monday surveying the streets for grading purposes.

—Geo. Jaques, who is now running a saw mill in Brown county, was spending a few days with his family last week.

—Miss Nora Turner has returned from Jacksonville and we understand she will take up her residence at this place, her old home.

—A little girl made its appearance at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Razo's on Wednesday of last week. Father and mother are both happy.

—Dr. Ray has added a first class lot of lumber and our readers will notice his ad. in this issue. He will also add a large and complete line of groceries in the near future.

—The river has been steadily raising for the past few weeks and now is out of its banks in several places. The frequent rains will raise it out of its banks in several other places in a short time.

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—Miss Lettie Crawford was a visitor at Mt. Sterling one day last week.

—Miss Lulu Moon is spending a few days with Miss Minnie Malott at Bethel this week.

—We this week add to our exchange list THE NEWS, a very neat and spicily edited five column quarto journal of Meredosias, this state.—Augusta Eagle.

—The following is the average grade of the class of 1891: Fritz Yeck, 95; Hattie Turner, 94; Chas. James, 93; Hattie V. Andre, 93; Ollie Webster, 92; Lou Reylard, 90.

—C. C. Keener and wife, of Meredosias, took the train here Sunday for Denver, Colo., to be present at the wedding of his sister, Miss Nettie Keener to a Mr. Elson Keith, of Chicago. The wedding took place Wednesday.—Beardstown Enterprise.

—The county editor who takes all his advertisements out in trade will be gratified to learn that a new pill has just been patented that will keep a man alive a whole week without eating. All he wanted now to make him happy is a liver syrup that will make one suit of clothes last him seventy-five years.—Kimball Graphic.

—Many years practice has given C. A. Snow & Co., Solicitors of Patents at Washington, D. C., unsurpassed success in obtaining patents for all classes of invention. They make a specialty of rejected cases and have secured allowance of many patents that had been previously rejected. Their advertisement in another column will be of interest to inventors, patentees, manufacturers and all who have to do with patents.

—Round the world on foot, except where a fast steamer will be needed to bridge continents, is the program which a French citizen of 34 summers has just drawn up. He will try to accomplish the feat within 250 days, walking, at least in Europe, twenty-four leagues per diem. M. Dros, the hero of this adventure, on quitting Paris will turn his face in the direction of Moscow. Traversing Siberia, still on the shore of Kamchatka for San Francisco, whence he will tramp to New York. Crossing the Atlantic to Harve, he will walk from that town to Paris.

Col Clements, pension agent at Chicago, Ill., recently paid out the largest individual pension ever granted to a pensioner in that division. Mrs. Laura B. Whitney, widow of Samuel B. Whitney, of the Seventh Illinois, was the lucky person, and the sum received was \$9,326.40. She is entitled to \$30 per month hereafter from the United States treasury. With one exception it was the largest amount ever paid one individual from the Chicago office. The exception was President Lincoln's widow, who received \$15,000, but this, however, was by special act of Congress and not under the pension laws.

—The Chas. and Gypsie La Gardo Novelty Company appeared in this place the three last nights of last week and played to good houses each evening, especially Saturday evening, when seats were in demand, there not being a vacant seat in the hall. They are an excellent company, being above the average, and give a good entertainment for the price of admission. This makes their second appearance in Meredosias. Mr. La Gardo made many friends while here. He informs us that if he can make satisfactory arrangements he will be in Meredosias on the coming 4th of July to make a balloon ascension and parachute jump. Charlie can always count on a good audience in Meredosias.

—A riot sprang up on the day of the democratic primary in Barry, in which many young men were engaged and the city marshal, Mr. R. St. John, was violently handled. Harry Burke, the son of a widow, aged about 18, one of the parties engaged fled the town, but last Friday night returned by train. As he stepped on the platform he saw the marshal standing there, and to avoid him, he ran to the other side of the train and got on again. After the train had run a short distance he jumped off and in some manner on alighting was thrown back under the wheels which cut off both legs right at the lower part of his body, and also one arm. He was picked up and carried for, but died the next morning after great agony. The train men knew nothing of the occurrence until they reached New Salem where it telegraphed them.—Pike County Democrat.

—The notorious Tuck Butler is in town.

—Grant Cordery stepped on a nail a few days ago, which has laid him up.

—A three months old child of Joe and Mrs. Morris died Sunday and was buried Monday. Dr. Wackerle conducted the services at the residence in the east part of town. The family have the sympathy of the community in their loss.

Wanted. An engineer and a pilot for steam tug for towing logs. Address, H. M. SCHMIDT, Beardstown.

NEW GAME LAW, Passed by the Illinois Legislature Last week—Something for Sportsmen to preserve for Reference.

The Illinois legislature has amended the game laws as follows:

"That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to hunt, pursue, kill, trap, net or ensnare, or otherwise destroy any wild buck, doe or fawn, or wild turkey, between the 1st day of January and 1st day of November of each year, or any year; or any pinated grouse or prairie chicken between the 1st day of December and the 1st day of September of the succeeding year; or any ruffed grouse, quail, pheasant or partridge between 15th day of December and the 1st day of November of each year; or any woodcock between the 15th day of September and the 15th day of July of each succeeding year; or any year; or any gray or red fox or black squirrel between the 1st day of December and the 1st day of June of each succeeding year; or any year; and it shall be unlawful to kill, hunt, snare, entrap, or attempt to hunt, kill, snare or entrap, or otherwise destroy any wild goose, duck, brant, or other water fowl at any time between the 15th day of April and the 15th day of September of any year; or it shall be unlawful to hunt, kill, trap, ensnare, or attempt to hunt, kill, trap, ensnare, or otherwise destroy any wild goose, duck, brant or rail, or any other water fowl between sunset of any day and sunrise of the next day, succeeding any period of the year, and it further shall be unlawful at any time to hunt, kill, trap or ensnare, or attempt to hunt, kill, trap or ensnare, or otherwise destroy any wild goose, brant, duck or other water fowl from any fixed or artificial ambush beyond a natural covering of reeds, canes, flags, wild rice, or other vegetation above the water of any lake, river, bay or inlet, or other water course wholly within this state, or in such part of such stream or water course wholly within this state, or with the aid and use of any device commonly called sneak-boat, sink-box, or other device used for the purpose of concealment in the open waters of this State; and it shall further be unlawful to shoot, kill or destroy, or shoot at any wild goose, duck, brant or other fowl with a swivel gun, or from any sailboat or steamboat at any time in any part of the water of any lake, river, bay or inlet, or other water course wholly within this State; it shall be unlawful to kill any wood duck prior to the 1st day of September of any year, and any person so offending shall for each and every offense be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be fined in any sum not less than \$5 nor more than \$25 and costs of suit, and shall stand committed to the county jail until such fines and costs are paid.

Provided, That such imprisonment shall not exceed ten days, and the killing of each bird or animal herein specified shall be deemed a separate offense.

La Grippe Again.

During the epidemic of La Grippe last season Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds, proved to be the best remedy. Reports from the many who used it confirm this statement. They were not only quickly relieved, but the disease left no bad after results. We ask you to give this remedy a trial and we guarantee that you will be satisfied with results, or the purchase price will be refunded. It has no equal in La Grippe, or any throat, chest or lung trouble. Trial bottles free at Ray's drugstore. Large bottles, 50c. and \$1.00.

Millinery Goods at Cost.

Mrs. M. E. Geiss wishes to inform the public that her millinery goods have been moved to her residence and will be sold out at cost. She has a large line and it will pay all in need of such to call on her.

BRING IN YOUR EGGS.

100,000 Dozen Wanted.

For which I will pay the highest market price in cash. I can be found at all times at the meat market of Geo. Geiss. Remember the place.

Ed. Geiss.

A dark, vertical, textured surface, possibly a book cover or a piece of fabric, showing a vertical crease or fold. The texture is grainy and uneven, with varying shades of dark gray and black. A prominent vertical line runs down the center, suggesting a fold or a seam. The lighting is somewhat uneven, with a slightly brighter area on the left side.

THE recent killing of six mail clerks in a railway accident brings out the fact that in the past ten years forty-three clerks have lost their lives and 479 have been injured in railroad accidents. The mail cars are placed just behind the locomotive, and in case of head-end accidents are always sufferers. The government makes no provision for its killed and wounded in the postal service, and unless the clerks carry insurance risks at heavy premium their families are left to suffer.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL

buildings were badly shattered, including portions of the vatican. King Humbert, with his ministers, hastened to the scene and aided in ministering to the injured.

On the 24th Mrs. Elizabeth Brugo and her daughter Susan, aged 20, were fatally buried on their farm near North Greenville, Wis., while burning brush.

THERE was a regular epidemic of suicides in New Orleans recently, and a number of persons have ended their lives.

On the 24th Simon Durrle, who was to

owned by the Rothschilds, were killed and many others injured by an explosion on the 27th.

REV. R. A. RICKS, a prominent Christian minister, while preaching in the Methodist church in Burlington, N. C., on the 26th, fell dead in the pulpit.

THE archbishop of Montreal, has ordered all Catholics not to attend the meeting called in that city by the Parnellite envoys for May 3.

THE supreme court of Louisiana has decided the lottery mandamus case in favor of St. Louis.

license:

stroyed that and several adjoining buildings and their contents, and rendered homeless about a dozen families. Karbradt was badly and Mrs. Mary Busen fatally burned.

Through the Heart.
At Macomb, Stanton Aldridge, years of age, shot himself through the heart in Mayor Imes' office. Despondency, caused by financial trouble, caused him to commit the deed. leaves a widow and five children.

ed any business of consequence. In the house only about fifteen members—

—English Walnut Cake: Chop one cup of raisins and one pound of English walnuts, make a soft frosting; save enough for the top of the cake, mixing the remainder with the nuts and raisins; spread the layers with this. Put half nuts on top of cake on frosting it with

Dark clouds of sorrow came;
Life was wracked upon

was sent three specially instructed inspectors down the bay to meet the steamer. As soon as they boarded her they spotted our man, and they never took their eyes from him till the boat reached her dock. The moment the gang-plank was put in position two of our men walked up to the suspected man, slapped him on the shoulders and informed him that he was a prisoner.

"He remonstrated, but they told him that they knew their game and he must

disgusted inspectors simultaneously

down and his hindquarters up, when he would have to be rescued. A friend who knew the dog's failing, made a bet with the owner that the unfortunate beast could not swim across a good-sized stream which they had to cross. When the stake was put up the proprietor of the phenomenon calmly attached a good-sized stone to the canine's tail, and with equilibrium thus restored in this novel manner he successfully swam the stream with head and shoulders - triumphantly.

tion of the New Tabernacle

be snow-water melted from the top of Lebanon. Some said: "You had better not go in; you will get your feet wet." But we waded in, pastor and people, further and further, and, in some way, the Lord only knows how, we got through; and to-night I go all around about this great house, erected by your prayers, and sympathies, and sacrifices, and cry out in the words of my text: "What mean ye by these stones?" It is an outrage to build a house like this so vast and so magnifi-

He cry with multitudinous acclamation
until the place rings and the heavens
rejoice: "Oh King! live forever!"

Is it not time that He who was born
in a stranger's house and buried in a
stranger's grave should have an earthly
house? Come in, O Jesus! not the
corpse of a buried Christ, but a radiant
and triumphant Jesus, conqueror of
earth, and Heaven, and hell.

He lives, all glory to His name,
He lives, my Jesus, still the same;
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives—

of the dearest of life's experiences. God bless you, old and young, and middle-aged. The money you have given to this church to-day will be, I hope, the best financial investment you have ever made. Your worldly investments may depend upon the whims of the money market or the honesty of business associates, but the money you have given to the house of the Lord shall yield you large percentages and declare eternal dividends long after the noonday sun shall have gone out like a

The Mercedia News.

W. T. HEDENBERG. C. W. STINSON.
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THURSDAY, APRIL 3, 1891.

Entered in the Postoffice at Mercedia, Ill., as Second Class Mail Matter.

Advertising rates made known upon application.

TERMS \$1.25 A YEAR, IN ADVANCE.

ITALY don't want to fight.

It is apparent that Italy has tripped up on one of her own banana skins.

SECRETARY BLAINE has a united country with him in his attitude towards Italy.

According to a Paris Journal both the French and German Governments will probably be compelled to suspend the custom duties on cereals before August.

THERE are prospects that the trouble between the ladies connected with the World's Fair will be settled without calling out the troops. It is thought they will kiss and make up.

THE strike of the workmen at the grounds of the World's Fair is justified. The men were treated very little better than dogs. It's high time the fair business was worked on a little broader plane.

BARON GUSTAVE ROTHSCHILD has retired from the market after losing \$40,000,000 in speculation. His pluck is better than his judgment. Many persons would have retired before losing half that sum.

THE remarkable capacity of our creeks, mill-ponds and small-try waters generally for drowning more people each Spring than the sea swallow the preceding Winter is manifesting itself early this year.

LUCK does not always stick to the Gouds. Alva Gould, the discoverer and one of the owners of the famous Gould & Curry mine is now peddling fruit and confectionery to passengers of railroad trains at Reno, Nev.

ONE clerk in the post-office at Peoria, Ill., opened 6,000 letters in six months and rifled them of their contents. This gifted young person should have entered Mr. Wauwauke's recent contest for rapid handling of the mails. He should also enter the penitentiary.

IF Arkansas could do something so atrocious that it would be kicked clear out of the Union it would relieve her sister States of much distressing embarrassment. Arkansas is the one isolated section of this country that stubbornly resists every invasion of civilization, Christianity, enterprise and modern ideas. It is proud of only one peculiarity, mule breeding, and the man and mule of Arkansas origin are so much alike that the success of Arkansas in producing an approved mule is due to the inherent stubbornness of the natives.

THE German Government is represented as indisposed to relax its restrictions on our pork, but willing to allow the importation of live American hogs—four footed and not alive with trichinae. After being battered about on the ocean for ten or twelve days; not to speak of a tedious railway trip immediately preceding the voyage, the animal is not likely on his first landing to conciliate favor, and will doubtless be found low in flesh and lacking in that depth of grunt and sharpness of squeal which mark perfect porcine health. But give him a few days to get off his sea legs and he will show himself as worthy of German confidence as his aristocratic Westphalian brother.

THE following from the Methodist Advocate is to the point: "Shouting don't settle old accounts with God or man. We want to bounce right on a fellow and put him out of the church if he goes to a hall or theatre but never a word to the pious scamp who never says his debts. Preachers and people who never pay their debts are doing the church more harm than dancers and drunkards, for there are more of them in the church. Reader, we are getting close to you. Then lay down the paper and go and pay up and you can read on at ease. And don't you stop paying because the 'statute of limitation' excuses the open account which you made for bread and meat. You must pay it in cash or God will make you pay it in fire and brimstone. God knows no excuse for paying as 'homestead exemption.' When you raise that excuse to keep from paying your debts you can stop singing. When I can read my title clear to mansions in the skies. You've got gone up there."

From Versailles.

Wheat looks fine.
W. S. Henry is able to be out.
Tom Graves has a new horse.
Lena Brierton is with us again.
Tony Simons was here last week.
The Blue Birds were out Sunday.
Joe Hart, was here one day this week.
Lulu Casteen left for Chapin Saturday.
Ed Dorsey, of Perry, was here Thursday.
Budge Glaze has been home the past week.
Wm. Morgan expects to move to Decatur.
Tom Burgess is laid up with a sore toe.
Bradney, the harness maker is again with us.
Wilson Reid, of the Hub, was here Thursday.
Jim Polk Briggs is back from his trip South.
Two prairie schooners arrived in town Thursday.
Terry Brady, who has been very sick, is able to be out.
"Cumps" Dunn, of Chambersburg, was here last week.
Will Tarent is clerking in the drug store of Dr. B. Wilson.
Ed Chenoweth and wife, of Bluffs, visited here last week.
Mrs. R. Swihart has been very sick, but at present is better.
Tom Wallace and son, of the county seat, was here Thursday.
O. Summy and wife visited with W. P. Gant and family Friday.
Park McDaniel and "Prush" Halk drove to Mt. Sterling Saturday.
Dr. B. Wilson expects to make improvements in his store room.
Phil Briggs who has been sick all winter is able to be out again.
Mr. Reed, of Sandwich, was here last week delivering nursery stock.
Sheriff Minum, of the county seat, was here on business last week.
Rhodes Cox's smiling countenance was seen on our streets last week.
Uz Byington, Ham Wash and Geo. Keyser, spent Friday in this place.
Dr. J. C. Rieckey and son, Flint, of the Hub, were here Thursday evening.
Geo. I. Fields, of the Enterprise, was at the "Hub" one day last week.
Prof. Kienfelter and wife, of Chambersburg, were here one day last week.
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Charlie Allen, of Hannibal, is visiting his uncle, J. P. Hartman and family.
Grace Moteer, of Gilbirds, visited with Jack Halk and family the first of the week.
Orlando Casteen, of Anthony, Kan., was visiting friends and relatives here last week.
James Martin, wife and daughter, of Gilbirds, visited with Jos. McCoy last week.
U. C. Bell left Friday night for Jacksonville. He expects to teach in Morgan county.
John Means, from Mt. Sterling, passed through our city Thursday on his way to the Burg.
C. T. Weaver and wife, of Mt. Sterling, visited with Charles Wetzel and family Sunday.
Charlie Reynolds, of Quincy, and Fred Burgess took a business trip to the Burg Thursday.
Mrs. A. A. McCabe visited at the county seat Saturday and Sunday. Doc looked lonesome.
J. D. Hamilton was here last week. He informs us Mt. Sterling will have saloons for two years more.
Mr. McDonald and wife, Henry Pool and Henry Hendricks, of Chambersburg, were here last week.
Quite a number of the Odd Fellows from this place attended the celebration at Mt. Sterling Monday.
Mary Hunt, Sallie Gillis, May and Myrtle Metz, of Chambersburg, were shopping in this place last week.
F. Vandeventer and Fred Wilson, of Mt. Sterling, passed through here last week on their way to the bottom.
Ves Barker and Bill Walsh have purchased a new threshing machine, with wheat weighing attachment. Quite a new attachment.
Bert Glaze and "Chippy" Yingling left for the bottom last week to paint a large house for Vandeventer Bros., and occupied by James Sutherland.
Mrs. F. S. Lancaster visited at the county seat Tuesday, the guest of her son, L. C. Lancaster, who has been sick. At this writing he is some better.
Mrs. John Samson, of Greenview, is

visiting friends and relatives at this place and vicinity. She will be remembered as Ella Walker, who left here about seven years ago.
"Prush" Halk expects to go to Perry Springs soon, as he has taken a position as engineer at that popular resort. Sorry to see him go as we will miss him and his "hurrhurs."
W. H. Vandeventer is papering and painting the room occupied by Dr. A. A. McCabe as a drug store, and when completed will be one of the finest stores in this part of the country.
Emma Fields, Lou and Mat Casteen, Nell and Doll Rowland and Kate Hibbs, visited with Valma Taylor, of Spring Station, one night last week. They visited on the fly. They report a good time.
It seems very strange that our streets can be turned into a race course. Last Saturday it seemed as if one was at a fair the way the horses was drove through main street. Can't our city dads stop it?
April 28. BUTTERFLY.

Happy Hoosiers.
Wm. Timmons, Postmaster of Idaville, Ind., writes: "Electric Bitters has done more for me than all other medicines combined, for that had feeling arising from kidney and liver trouble." John Leslie, farmer and stockman, of same place, says: "Find Electric Bitters to be the best kidney and liver medicine, made me feel like a new man." J. W. Gardner, hardware merchant, same town says: "Electric Bitters is just the thing for a man who is all run down and don't care whether he lives or dies, he found new strength and good appetite and felt just like he had a new lease on life. Only 50c. a bottle, at Ray's drug store."
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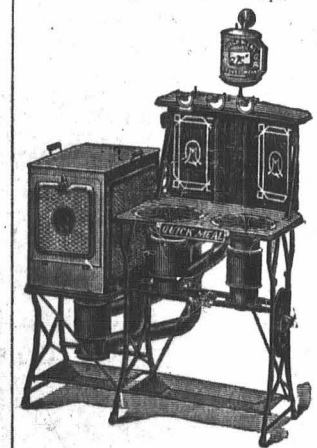
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All of the very latest styles, which I will sell at the very lowest cash prices. Ball and examine my goods before purchasing elsewhere as my goods are second to none in the market.
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—Oats, 50c.
—Corn, 60c. to 65c.
—Meal, 80c.
—Eggs, 10c.
—Wheat, 90c.
—Flour, \$1.30.
—Butter, 20c.
—Bran, 90c. cwt.
—Coarse Feed, \$1. cwt.
—Shipstuf, \$1. cwt.
—Hogs, \$4.25 to \$4.50.
—Potatoes, \$1. to \$1.50.
—Sweet Potatoes, \$2.00.
—Mixed Feed, \$1. cwt.
—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
—Subscribe for THE NEWS.
—The wheat in this section looks fine.
—The fruit prospects were never better.
—To-day (Thursday) is the last day of school.
—Jacksonville elected a democratic mayor last Tuesday.
—Henry Schafer and wife were in Quincy last Monday.
—A. E. Ritscher took a trip to Calhoun county last week.
—Naples elected a license board by the majority last Tuesday.
—Public school entertainment at the M. E. church Friday night.
—Fresh bread at Geo. Geiss's.
—Commencement exercises at the M. E. church this Thursday evening.
—Singer sewing machines at \$22 for a short time only. J. C. KRAZ.
—Quincy is the only town in Adams county that will have saloons the coming year.
—Call and see F. Einstant's new stock of dress goods.
—Mrs. Ella Lang has been spending several days the guest of friends in Beardstown.
—Go to Geo. Geiss for your fresh bread.
—J. C. Lewis, of Bluffs, was acting in Dr. Ray's stead this week, while Dr. Ray was in Chicago.
—New line of groceries and confectionaries just received at F. EINSTANT'S.
—Our city marshal, Wm. Apperson, is getting main street in good shape. Let the good work go on.
—Geo. Geiss has made arrangements with the Jacksonville bakery to handle their bread in the future.
—Last Sunday as Mrs. D. Webster was coming down stairs at her home, her heel caught in her dress in some way or other and she fell to the bottom bruising her up considerably.
—The Wheeler & Wilson sewing machines "the boss" as light as a runner. For sale by J. C. KRAZ.

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—Harry Andre made a business trip to Peoria last week returning Sunday.
—Milo Ripley came very near losing one of his optics last Sunday. While attempting to drive a nail it glanced and struck him in the eye.
—Geo. Campbell, of the Mt. Sterling Examiner, was elected city clerk last Tuesday. Good for George.
—New spring styles of laces and veiling just received at Mrs. Smithson's.
—C. R. Ray was in Chicago on business last Monday. He was accompanied by his wife and two children.
—Jennie June sewing machines at \$23.50 for the next 30 days. J. C. KRAZ.

—Mt. Sterling will have whiskey for another year. The council stands a tie on aldermen, with a license mayor.
—J. H. Carver, P. J. Baujan and H. Weghoff have beautified their store fronts by giving them a coat of paint.
—Mrs. H. H. McMeal, of Joplin, Mo., is visiting her parents, Chas. and Mrs. Helnz, and other friends at this place this week.
—J. H. Carver's entire force has been on the sick list. Messrs Carver, Kraz and Lutkeneyer were all confined to their homes. Lou Harnel has been holding down a clerkship in the store this week.

—A stinging merchant that pretends to do business in adjoining town, who teaches a class in Sunday school asked, "What is solitude?" and was nearly raised off his seat when a small boy replied, "The store that won't advertise."
—An Italian in New York, who was interviewed on the war question, said: "The Italian government couldn't carry on a war against the United States, because it hasn't money enough to buy coal with which to send her gunboats here."
—The noblest thing in spring hats for ladies is the most fearfully constructed piece of head-gear ever conceived of. Its form is achieved by taking a stizlath-shaped straw form, laying it on a street crossing, and allowing the off wheels of an entire funeral procession to run over it.—Bushnell Record.

—An exchange tells how a girl's taste differs according to her age: "At sixteen she wants a dude with toothpick shoes and a microscopic mustache; at twenty, a chief justice with piles of tin; at twenty-five she will be satisfied with a member of congress; at thirty with a country doctor or preacher who don't thirty-five anything that wears pants, from an editor up."
—A female went into a dry goods store the other day and blushing asked the head clerk if he had "any of those elastic bands, capable of being elongated and adjusted at pleasure, and used by feminine portion of mankind for putting around the lower extremities of their locomotive members to keep in the proper position, and the required attitude and habiliments of their thighs." The clerk is now on a sheep ranch, and the female will graduate at the Chattanooga Assembly this summer.

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—For two more weeks we will be with you to do you good. We have done a large amount of work and everybody is satisfied. We know they are because we guarantee satisfaction, and there has not been any complaint. Get your work done while you can.
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—Fannie Randall, of Lincoln, is the guest of Wm. Smithson and wife.
—New goods arriving daily at Mrs. Smithson's.
—J. R. DeViney and Ed Halk, of Versailles, were here on business last Tuesday.
—Mrs. Chandler and mother, of Decatur, were visiting friends in this place this week.
—Call and see my fashionable line of millinery just received.
—Mrs. Wm. SMITHSON.

—Four of Versailles young men were "Bocking" on the opposite side of the river last Tuesday. Their motto was, "No Prussians need apply."
—The question of erecting a new jail was submitted to the voters of Brown county at the recent election, but was defeated by a large majority in every township.
—Misses Emma and Ella Duncan of White Hall will assist the Winchester Double Quartet at the commencement exercises of Mercedia high school on Thursday, April 30, 1891, where they have been engaged to furnish the vocal music for the occasion.—Winchester Times.

—The Pike county court last week sentenced Thomas J. Measles, a former resident of this place, to a term of two years in the penitentiary and a fine of \$500 for bigamy. Constable Hodges of this place arrested him at Kewanee, this state, and brought him back to Pike county.

—Tom Williams, of the steamer Lotus, has got no use for snakes. Last Thursday afternoon while out rabbit hunting he saw a rattler, which he claims was over five feet in length and all the colors of the rainbow. Tom did not stay with it long enough to see how many rattles it had. The boys say he is quite fleet on foot.

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—You that owe us on THE NEWS will please call and settle.

—Mrs. T. Baker, of Camp Point, visited relatives here Tuesday.
—Miss Jennie Andre, of Berlin, Wisconsin is visiting relatives and friends here. She expects to remain some time.
—We have added to our list of correspondents a new one from Naples and Versailles. They are both hustlers for news, and catch all that is going. Look over them.
—T. K. Ball and Son, the feather renovators, informs the public in this issue of THE NEWS that they will only be in this place for two weeks more. They have done an immense amount of work in this locality and as far as we have learned given entire satisfaction. Parties having beds that need renovating should have it attended to at once as this will be their last opportunity. You will find T. K. Ball & Son perfect gentlemen and men that will do as they agree.

To Whom It May Concern.
On the 15th day of April, 1891, I removed from Indian creek, a tributary of the Illinois river, two hoop nets with wings. On the 17th day of April, 1891, removed from Smith's lake four sets of hoop nets with wings, and at Dresher's ditch two sets of hoop nets with wings. On the 18th day of April, 1891, from Movarstar creek two sets of hoop nets with wings. All of said nets were placed in said places in an unlawful manner, causing an obstruction to the propagation of fish. Owner can have said property by making proof of same under oath. All of said nets are now on storage at Mercedia, Illinois.

Signed, JOHN D. TREW,
State Fish Warden.

Public School Entertainment.
The following is the programme of the school entertainment of the public school of Mercedia, at the M. E. church, Friday evening, May 1st:
Song—Happy Greeting to all.....Chorus
Opening Address.....Charlie Summers
Declaration—A Lecture.....John Morris
Song—Lovely Spring.....Class of Girls
Recitation—A True Story.....May Neville
Dialogue—The Baby Show.....Ethan Allen, Jos. Anderson, Leo Weghoff, Mable Hyatt, Mable Knowlen, Mary Lewinsson, Herbal Summers.
Halleluiah.
Song.....Oh, Hush and Don't be Crying, Leila Hansen.
Mother Goose Reception.
Concert Recitation—Ten Little Boys Went to School.
Song—Good Advice.....Rea Price and Chorus
Recitation—The Morning Call.....G. Lutkeneyer
Dialogue.....The Flower Garden
Five Boys and Five Girls.
Recitation.....Miguel's Greeting
Maudie, Ruth, Frankie, Yock.
Song—Lory Bill.....Class of Boys
Recitation.....Johnny Sleepy Head
Willie Bennett.
Fan Drill.....Class of Young Ladies
Song.....Old Dog Tray
Emie Vanderlip, Emma Quetch.
Recitation—Our Future Man.....Ed Lutkeneyer
Dialogue—Five Wishes.
Edith Barnes, Leola Hale, Addie, Selman, Emma Quetch, Grace Hyatt, Maudie, Winnifram.
Recitation—Boys Troubles.....Charlie Dugan
Song—Merry Month of May.....Chorus
Closing Address.....Ella Hodges
Dialogue—Good Bye.....Seven Little Girls
Tableau.
Song.....Lella Reyland, Leah Summers

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Ed. Geiss.

La Grippe Again.
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B. A. McGOY,
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NEWS IN BRIEF.

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PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

The Ottumwa (Ia.) Coal Palace directory has elected Calvin Manning president, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Col. Ballinger. A committee has been appointed to go east and negotiate with Blaine, Cleveland and Dewey for speakers during the session. Thirty counties will be included in the district this year.

In the elections at Geismunde, held on the 20th, 53 districts gave Prince Bismark 6,678, and Schnaffeld, social list, 4,718. There is no doubt of Bismark's election.

CARDINAL MANNING has written a letter attacking the Fenian faction of the Irish national party. He denounces their actions during the recent electoral contests in Ireland, in parliament and elsewhere, as being not only suicidal, but as constituting "one of the greatest blunders ever delivered against the rising hopes of Ireland."

On the 21st Bishop McIntyre, the venerable Catholic bishop of Prince Edward Island, died of heart disease at Antigonish, N. S. He was 70 years old, and a Scotonian by birth.

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LATEST returns from the supplemental election for a member of the reichstag from Geismunde show the figures to stand as follows: Bismark, 10,000; Schnaffeld, 5,600.

EMIS is reported marching on Kibiro to recover ivory formerly abandoned there.

On the 23d Milton H. Alger, a Boston police officer, disappeared with jewelry of considerable value in his possession, which he had obtained ostensibly to show his wife. Mrs. Alger was left penniless.

THOMAS QUINN, M. P. for county Kilkenny, Ireland, has withdrawn from the Parliamt., expressing a desire to associate himself with the McCarthyites. Mr. Quinn says his action is mainly attributable to the refusal of Mr. Parnell to agree to the release of the Paris fund, thus preventing the use of money for the relief of exiled tenants.

On the 23d Rev. Dr. Thomas J. Conant, one of the leading biblical scholars of the day, died at his home in Brooklyn, aged 89. Dr. Conant was the father of S. S. Conant, the editor of Harper's Weekly who suddenly disappeared in 1884.

FERNAND GREGORIVIS, German historian and poet, died in Berlin on the 23d.

CRIMES AND CASUALTIES.

On the 29th J. Conover, James Huntley and James Hall were arrested in New York, charged with swindling the Chase national bank of New York city and banks at Detroit, St. Paul and other western cities by bogus drafts, and by representing themselves as agents of prominent horse dealers.

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It is said that Jewish exiles from Russia are spreading contagious diseases throughout Germany. Two cases of well-developed leprosy have been detected in Potsdam among the Russian emigrants, and it is said that there are many such in the interior of Russia.

The most conspicuous feature of the Berlin art exhibition is the absence of French and the paucity of German works. English art works are the most prominent.

ILLINOIS STATE NEWS.

Illinois G. A. R. Staff Officers.

Commander-in-Chief Horace Clark of the department of Illinois, G. A. R., has made the following appointments of staff officers: James A. Connally, Springfield, judge advocate; Dr. P. L. McKennie, assistant adjutant general; Col. E. T. Lee, Monticello, chief of staff; Thomas F. Scott, Fairfield, quartermaster; Louis Kirkhoff, Nashville, inspector. The headquarters, department of Illinois, has been established at No. 84 La Salle street, Chicago.

Out of Work and Desperate.

Martin Cupela, wife and three children were arrested at Chicago just as the father and mother were about to put an end to their lives by jumping into the lake. The family had walked from Harrisburg, Pa., where Cupela, who is a furnace man, had been obliged to quit work on account of the strike in the coal regions. As the family was destitute and hungry the parents decided to commit suicide. They have been cared for, and employment found for the father.

A Good Move.

A movement is on foot among the farmers of Indiana to start a creamery on what is known as the separating system. Several meetings have been held in the interest of this move, resulting in the appointment of a committee to visit several towns where the system is in vogue, and a report is expected soon. The separating system is in use in Indiana and the Elgin district, and gives the largest returns and yields better butter than any system known.

Most Advanced in Chief.

The wholesale price of beef in Chicago has advanced about 23 1/2 per cent. within the past month. Talks with several meat dealers indicate that there will be no decrease in price prior to July 1, and before that time the tendency may possibly be toward a still larger increase. The cause of the advance is said to be the scarcity, not only of good fat cattle, but a general scarcity of cattle of all grades, and the advance in the price of corn.

Population of Illinois Cities.

A recent bulletin from the census bureau gives the following official and revised final figures of the population of Illinois cities: Springfield, 20,948; Decatur, 16,841; Jacksonville, 10,740; Springfield, 24,963; Bloomington, 12,242. The figures of all the other cities above given show considerable decrease, also.

Chicken Stealing a Society Fad.

Twenty-two young men and one young lady, all of respectable families, living in Germantown, a suburb of Danville, were arrested the other day for stealing chickens from a Chicago & Eastern Illinois car. Nine pleaded guilty and were fined \$40.80 each. The others took a change of venue.

Death Due to Frigate.

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THE ILLINOIS LEGISLATURE.

Synopsis of the Proceedings of the General Assembly.

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IMPORTANT SUGGESTIONS.

An Old Honduras Merchant Gives a Few Ideas as to the Causes of the Non-Success of Americans in Securing South and Central American Trade—They Do Not Adapt Themselves to the Conditions, Nor Learn to Speak and Write Spanish.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—The bureau of American republics publishes the following extract from a private letter from an old merchant in Honduras, that contains important suggestions to exporters in this country:

"There exists," he writes, "another reason that causes our failure to do business with the United States is the fact of the failure of the merchants of the United States to capture the Latin-American trade. That they do not send out reliable agents who can speak the language, and are well acquainted with the habits, tastes and wants of the people, English and German houses avail themselves of the services of such men, and the consequence is they get the business."

As an instance of this, a few months since a commercial traveler came to this city; he represented several manufacturers and shipping houses, three German and two English. He stayed in this city two weeks and sold \$45,000 worth of goods; he had been about twelve months on his journey through Venezuela, the United States of Colombia, Costa Rica and Honduras, and in that time he had sold more than \$1,000,000 worth of goods, as he proved to me by his order books. He was passing from America to Europe, and he had just returned from last, and the Cartwhistle battalion was routed en masse—Amy Randolph in N. Y. Ledger.

They LOOK FUNNY NOW.

The fashions of 1878 seem ridiculous to our present girls.

In a copy of a magazine of the date of February, 1878, which was picked up in an attic the other day was found a fashion-plate full of a marvellous variety of fashions, and among the margin of this older slip a well-known hand had written:

"How ridiculous these old 1839 fashions look compared with our graceful, tasteful and becoming fashions of 1878!"

The person who had picked up the magazine then opened the large, folded, colored leaf which had upon it the fashions of 1839, and beneath it the legend: "Les Modes Parisiennes—February, 1878."

It was impossible to restrain a burst of hearty laughter at these "graceful and tasteful fashions" of only sixteen years ago.

The women are draped in gowns that seem entirely made up of loops, tufts and bows. Their skirts do not seem to hang downward at all but to be built up from the bottom in successive layers of ruffles and bows and oriching with immense "polonaises."

Around their necks are ridiculous ruffles. Their hair is built up in "chignons" at the back of the head, and upon the extremity of this projection a bonnet or hat is perched.

From beneath the bright green or dazzling blue skirts of the dresses the absolutely square toes of a very singular shoe are seen to project.

The same magazine takes up a magazine of 1891 and inserts between its leaves both the fashion plates of 1839 and 1878, but instead of an appreciative note the fashion-plate of 1891 bears this comment:

"I know our fashions of 1891 are nicer than those of 1878, but I suppose they'll look just as ridiculous in 1907."—N. Y. Journal.

PREMIER RUFINI'S LATEST.

The Latest Note of the Italian Premier to the Charge d'Affaires in Washington.

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While it is thought that the relations between the two countries are not affected by this last Italian "note," the great difference in the tone of the premier's first note, which embodied a demand and an ultimatum, and his latest, which suggests a grievance and a desire for friendly relations, is not a diplomatic circle, and leads many to hope for more satisfactory relations between the two countries before long. The next step taken by this government in the matter, will probably be a communication from Secretary Blaine to Marquis Imperiali, in the report of the district attorney at New Orleans, in regard to the nationality and character of the men killed in the New Orleans prison.

Secretary of State Blaine yesterday sent the following by cable:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, Washington, D. C., May 4, 1901.

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SOME of our naval officers must have been at the helm of the Spanish gunboat that was recently run upon a rock and lost.

ANNIE DICKINSON may be a sane woman, but if so the published reports of her recent lecture in New York were written by crazy reporters.

AND now it is denied that Mr. Cleveland has hedged on the silver question, and, as usual, the blame is put on the poor reporter who wrote up the interview.

MR. BLAINE has suffered as much, or more, at the hands of his friends than from his enemies, and he might be excused for exclaiming "Deliver me from my friends."

MANY superstitious people believe that things always happen in series of three. Senator Edmunds came first with his resignation, then Senator Reagan. Who will be the third?

THE republican and democrats are doing most of the talking about next year, but the Farmers Alliance is adding to its memberships at a rate that speaks for itself, and in no uncertain tone.

THE news of the eviction of the families of the striking coal miners in Pennsylvania must please readers of the Meredosia and constabulary in Ireland, who have hitherto enjoyed a monopoly of this particular infamy.

IF J. F. Clarkson can wield a shillalah in the republican nominating convention next year with the same effectiveness that he did in the recent League convention there's going to be a startling surprise for somebody about that time.

THE New York legislature is not composed of saints, if we may believe the New York Herald, which says: "If Judas Iscariot were in Albany, and had his money bag, he could buy a majority vote of indorsement as a white souled patriot."

TWENTY five years ago Joe Pulitzer, owner of the New York World, was an obscure reporter working for \$25 a week now he goes a pleasuring on a \$63,000 steam yacht. Great is the power of the press, if your paper has a successful boom attachment.

"OLD HEN" has been heard from again. He has just pocketed a half million dollars as his share of the big Chicago wheat deal. One of these days the people who have to work for all the money they get will put a stop—a very short stop—to speculating and gambling in food products.

THE death of the distinguished German soldier, Field Marshal Von Moltke, was a heavy blow to the ambitions young Emperor of Germany. He was in his ninety-first year and in case of war would have been able to have taken an active part, but the loss of the advice of the man who had proven himself to be the foremost European soldier of modern time is nevertheless no slight one.

THE Texas Farmers Alliance probably had more to do with the resignation of Senator Reagan than appears upon the surface. He saw a chance to get out with honor, and to get another office paying a thousand dollars more a year, and he probably thought that a good deal better than being defeated for reelection by an Alliance man. Many years experience in sucking the public teat had given Mr. Reagan a long head.

SOME people think it strange that little Portugal backed down completely when John Bull made certain demands of her concerning English possessions in Africa. We don't. It was about the same thing as John L. Sullivan catching a sixteen year old boy by the nape of the neck and demanding the contents of his pockets. Discretion is always a good thing, and Portugal seems to have had a supply on hand.

If there is such a thing as the dead being cognizant of the happenings of this world, how it must worry the soul of the sturdy and independent old warrior, Gen. Sherman, to know his children have accepted a purse contributed by "friends." During his life the General had a horror of what he used to call "passing around the hat" for him or after his death.

Specimen Cases.

S. H. Clifford, New Cassel, Wis., was troubled with Neuralgia and Rheumatism, his stomach was disordered, his liver was affected to an alarming degree, appetite fell away, and he was reduced in flesh and strength. Three bottles of Electric Bitters cured him. Edward Shepherd, Harrisburg, Ill., had a running sore on his leg of eight years' standing. Used three bottles of Electric Bitters and seven boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and his leg is sound and well. John Speaker, Catawba, O., had five large fever sores on his leg, doctors said he was incurable. One bottle Electric Bitters and one box Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him entirely. Sold by C. R. Ray.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our regular correspondence.)

WASHINGTON, May 1, 1891.

Senator Peffer does not like the charge that has been made against him of his being a victim of the Presidential itch, and he told a friend that he thought it was but a part of the pre-arranged programme to use ridicule or any other weapon that might be available to break the force of the arguments he has made since he came east in defense of the rising of the common people, as represented by the Farmer's Alliance and organizations in sympathy therewith. He says further that he isn't a candidate for President, and doesn't expect to be, as he calculates to devote the next six years to the service of the people on the floor of the United States Senate chamber, and that is about as large a contract as he cares to undertake during that time.

What is the actual condition of the United States Treasury? How much cash, available for immediate use, has the Secretary of the Treasury at his command? These questions would seem to be simple and easy enough to answer, but what knowledge does the public gain when the daily Treasury balance sheet gives the surplus of available cash as between eleven and twelve millions; the Director of the Mint gives it as \$258,000,000, and Secretary Foster as \$70,000,000. Which, if either, is right? Certainly all cannot be. Mr. Foster very sensibly says that he believes it is wise to discuss the financial affairs of the government with the public, and most people will agree with him; but a solid foundation is necessary in order to discuss the matter understandingly, and this foundation cannot be had until the people are given an authoritative statement concerning the present condition of the Treasury. Let a plain statement be prepared of the seven hundred and odd millions of dollars that are known to be in the Treasury, showing just which are trust funds and which the money owned outright by the Government, and be given out in the place of the present complicated statement that nobody outside of the Treasury department seems to understand at all and which is interpreted differently inside that building.

It is believed that the friends of Mr. Harrison have succeeded in getting Mr. Blaine to promise that he will write a letter which will make it impossible for his name to be longer considered as a Presidential possibility, and which will throw the entire Blaine influence to Mr. Harrison. Mrs. Blaine has been a valuable ally to the Harrison forces, as she is most bitterly opposed to her husband ever going through another campaign at the head of his party's ticket, believing that the worry would certainly kill him. Mr. Blaine, if one may believe his close personal friends, needed very little persuasion as far as the use of his own name is concerned, as he had long ago reached the conclusion that he would never be President, and made up his mind never again to be a candidate. The Harrison boom has received an unexpected accession in the support of Senator Quay and Mr. Clarkson, who have been considered as being opposed to the re-nomination of Mr. Harrison, and this is understood here to mean that there will be no organized opposition to him.

Ex-Senator Blair will not go to China as United States minister, for the very plain reason that the Emperor of China has notified the Department of State that he does not want him to come. Mr. Blair will be sent elsewhere, probably to Japan.

The report of the investigation made by U. S. officials of the records of the Italians lynched at New Orleans has been received at the Department of Justice and turned over to Mr. Blaine. It will probably not be made public until after Mr. Harrison returns and possibly not until the Italian government is again heard from.

The House and Senate joint committee charged with the investigation of the printing and distribution of public documents has, after doing considerable work, adjourned until June. It is already apparent that the committee will be able to point out the way to save several hundred thousand dollars a year without injury to public interests.

General Scofield says he is pleased with the progress made in enlisting Indians in the army, and that he hopes some of the Indian troops may be organized and sufficiently disciplined to be stationed at the World's Fair, in '93.

Considerable interest in the Speakership fight was aroused this week by the presence here of Mr. McMillin and several of his lieutenants in conference. None of the gentlemen would say what they came for, but it was evident that they thought it important.

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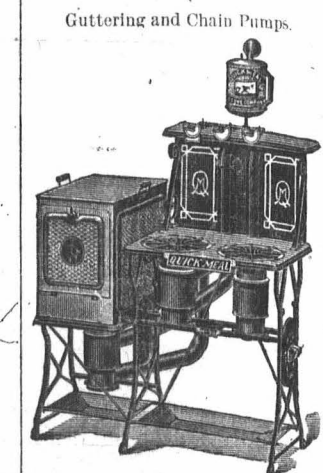
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—Dr. Ray was on business at Quincy last week.

—Jas. Ward, of Naples, was here one day last week.

—Will Hauser shipped his hogs to St. Louis Tuesday.

—Rene Lancaster, of Versailles, was in the city Sunday.

—John D. Trew, State Fish Warden, was on business this week.

—The Polar Wave went down the river with two barges Monday.

—Miss Sarah Branch, of Detroit, visited Miss Hattie Turner last week.

—P. BAUMAN'S

—Mrs. Watts, of Naples, visited her daughter and son here last Friday and Saturday.

—Mrs. Charles Geiss is visiting in this place, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Geiss.

—Gold dollars for 90 cents at Ray's drug and grocery store.

—Capt. Brown, of the Steamer Lotus, has been spending a few days with his family here.

—New goods arriving daily at Mrs. Smithson's.

—Everything now points to a bountiful harvest this year, also a corner in blunder twine.

—Tiddly Winks and all the new popular games at Ray's.

—The dramatic company are rehearsing their new play which they expect to produce soon.

—New spring styles of laces and veiling just received at Mrs. Smithson's.

—The wreck on the J. S. E. line near Havana recently has cost the road seventy thousand dollars.

—It will pay you to inspect my stock and prices before buying your lumber, lime, sash, doors, paints and oils. I can do you good. DR. C. R. RAY.

—Clarence DeJean has severed his connection with the drug and grocery house of C. R. Ray, and is now a gentleman of leisure.

—The young couple who was out walking Sunday night had better make arrangements with the city council to "house the glim." DeJean can tell you about it.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

Clayton had a big blaze last week, burning several business houses.

It is estimated that by recent reductions in its working force the "Q" will save \$150,000 a month.

A California undertaker has a neat advertisement in a local paper which reads, "You kick the bucket; we do the rest."

There will be no limit to Colchester saloons as long as there are rooms left. This is right. If they are a good thing, the more the better.

Some of the McDonough people still claim their panther is flesh and blood. Several reliable persons have seen it or something else that carries with it scaring properties.

Colchester will soon have a new school house where the little ones who are now crowded out of the old one will have a chance to "feather their pegs" and fly.

Tulu photographs are all the rage in Mexico, Missouri. They are instantaneous catches of the different expression of a sweet girl chewing gum, and they are a hory, rollicking show.

The Litchfield, Illinois, Monitor publishes five wood cuts of the new members of that town's city council, and writes them up as if they were statesmen controlling the destinies of the nation.

Chas. Cook at Bowen had served in the capacity of school director eighteen years, and having acquired all that glory desired, was not in the contest this spring. They should bestow upon him a medal.

During a terrible electric storm in Lewinstown James Brewer was struck by lightning and instantly killed. His right side was burned into a crisp and his hair and beard were entirely burned off.

Maj. R. W. McClaughry, for many years warden of the Joliet penitentiary, has resigned his position as superintendent of the Huntingdon, Pa. Reformatory to take charge of a similar institution at Pittsburg.

A Moline man has had a reptile resembling a lizard, removed from his stomach, which had troubled him for over five years. The reptile had well confined vertebrae, twelve legs and each leg is a web of feeling. Scientists so far have failed to name it.

According to the census of 1890, in Illinois, there are twelve countries that have lost between one and two thousand of their population since 1880, while taken as a whole, the state has increased 748,480 persons 548,308 being in Cook county alone.

Man should not be too humble. A quite and polite old man lives in Lincoln, Neb., but occasionally he gets drunk. The other night he accumulated quite a jag and went to the police station, searched himself and locked himself up in a cell. He dislikes putting anyone to any trouble or inconvenience.

Aldredge, ex-city clerk of Macon, resigned recently and his brother was installed city clerk. Since then Aldredge has been in a despondent mood and Friday afternoon he walked into Innes' real estate office and, taking a revolver from the desk, shot himself through the heart, dying almost instantly. Deceased leaves a wife and several children.

During the severe storm yesterday morning, Mrs. Ryan, of the east part of town, had an unpleasant experience. She was stirring some hot grease with a steel knife, when there was a very sharp flash of lightning and the steel fractured the electricity and became so charged that the grease was soon blazing. Mrs. Ryan and another lady who was standing near at the time received a terrible shock. The last named lady could scarcely walk for a few hours.

The Salisbury, Missouri, Press-Spectator solemnly says: A dog owned by the Atterbury Bros., of near Byramville, gave birth not long since of four pups, of which an old hen has taken charge, as she covers them at night and during a shower clucks to them as she would to a brood of chickens. The truth of the statement can be vouched for by a number of persons. That's all right, what the people want to know is whether the hen is bringing the pups up in the natural way or on a bottle.

PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.

—The man who keeps right himself does a good deal to help other people to behave themselves.

—Hobbs—"I can tell plush from seal two blocks away." "Nobbs—"How?" "By the way the wearer carries her head."

—A Very Near Neighbor.—The man is scarce who does not blame his wife for it whenever a misfortune overtakes him.—Ram's Horn.

—One Eye Ornamental, One Useful.—Sams—"Why don't you wear a monocle in each eye?" Doss—"Aw, a fellow must see, doucherknow."—Munsey's Weekly.

—Miss Pallade—"We rather expected you at the church trimming, Mr. Cleverton." Cleverton—"O, I'm not much of a hand at flitting."—Brooklyn Life.

—A Neat Way of Putting It.—"Bronson calls his wife a perfect poem. I think she's a ternaught." "Well, that's what Bronson means. She is not easily composed."—N. Y. Sun.

—Mrs. Grumps—"If that stranger you were talking to said nothing about his wife how do you know he is married?" Mr. Grumps—"O, he looked so sort o' sympathetic when I told him I was."

—Mr. Fellow (of Chicago)—"How came the judge to grant your divorce before the petition was read to him to-day?" Mr. Fellow—"He had once been married to the woman himself."

—At Amherst College, some students fastened a live goose on the president's chair. Upon observing it, he said: "Gentlemen, I perceive you have a competent instructor, and I will therefore leave you to your studies."

—There are not so many great orators now as there used to be, perhaps, but every married man who is in the habit of getting home late at night knows that oratory is by no means a lost art.—Somerville Journal.

—"Why do you always take T. Willie Weighless to the theater with you?" "O, he is my opera glass." "Because he is a necessary evil?" "No, because I can draw him out, see through him and then shut him up whenever I please."

—Cholera's father was a baron in the jolly Isle of Bull.

—And the girl he sought to marry had a father rich in wool.

—Said her father, "Let us test him," and the Yankee girl said, "Let's."

—And they said he was no baron when they found he paid his debts.

—Rough on Eddie.—"Youthful Lover—"A penny for your thoughts, Iphigenia!" Mature Maiden—"You have guessed them right, Eddie. It was a piano for I was thinking of 'You ought to wear one.'"

—Yabsley—"They say that if a woman is frightened by some sound in the night she promptly pulls the covers over her head and goes to sleep again. Is that so, Wickwire?" Wickwire—"Guess it is. That's the way the alarm clock seems to affect our cook."

—A Veteran.—"The operation," said the surgeon gently to the man who had just met with an accident, "will be very painful. I strongly advise you to take an anesthetic." "No," said the sufferer, "I think I can bear it. I have been used to shaving myself."—Washington Star.

AN EASTERN MYSTERY.

Britons Perplexed by the Swift and Won.

What is known as the "secret mail" of India has for more than a generation perplexed the English mind, and is still, a profound mystery, although numerous attempts have been made to explain it. Every one who has lived long in Asiatic countries is aware that the accurate knowledge of important happenings at a distance is often possessed by the natives a considerable time before it is obtained by the Government, and even though special facilities had been provided for the transmission of the news. This was frequently and conspicuously illustrated throughout the Sepoy rebellion. Happenings occurring hundreds of miles away were usually known in the hours and sometimes days before the news reached the authorities, and the information obtained was regarded as so trustworthy that the natives speculated upon it even to the extent of their fortunes. Indeed, upon one occasion the "secret mail" beat the Government courier fifty-two hours, although every endeavor had been made to secure the swiftest dispatch.

The Hindoos themselves say, when they consent to talk about it at all, that they depend neither upon horses nor men, and have no secret code of signals, but that they do possess a system of thought transmission, which is as familiar to them as is the electric telegraph to the western world. Any one may accept this explanation that will but through most people with less fondness for the mysterious and a better knowledge of the weaknesses of the Hindoos for making riddles of the simplest facts will look for a more prosaic explanation, it remains to be said that this has been forthcoming. The "secret mail" is an indubitable reality, and no wonder has ever succeeded in solving its mystery. If news is transmitted by signals, nor if there is a vast system of stages in operation, covering hundreds and thousands of miles, has any one ever crossed any of the machinery. And, indeed, it would seem that some means of communication must be at the command of the natives more rapid than horses or runners.—Pittsburgh Journal.

The Old-Fashioned Girl.

How we would like to meet the old-fashioned girl again, the girl with larkspur eyes and corn-silk hair, an unspooled blossom in the earthly rose bed. Once in awhile we see her type, but unfortunately she is rare. She was so modest and unspoiled and sweet, the sight of such a girl in this day of dancers and high-steppers is like the sound of "Annie Laurie" between the carousals of a break-down jig, or the taste of a wild strawberry after pepper tea. God bless the old-fashioned girl with her helpful ways, her arch face and her blithe and hearty laugh. May her type never vanish from the face of the earth.

How we would like to see her soul way the mold after her body and her soul was fashioned never get mislaid and lost in the heavenly workshop.

A young man of near Barry was attacked with remorse from having obtained goods under false pretenses while on a trip in Texas and gave himself up to Marshal Reymann of Hannibal a few days since. He will be taken back to Texas.

Elmer Triplett, a young farmer, was found lying in the street at Barry unable to get up. He was carried to the sanitarium, where an examination revealed the fact that one of his legs was broken at the thigh and just above the knee. It was afterward learned that he had attempted to mount a wild horse and the animal kicked him twice, causing the injury stated.

Town Ordinance to Establish the Grade of Main Street West of the Public Square to Front Street.

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And the grade at any point between the points named, shall be on a straight line between the elevation named above and the profile marked "Profile of main Street, Meredosia, Ill."

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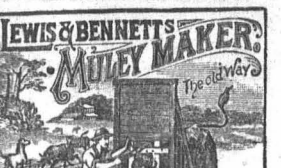
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THURSDAY, MAY 14, 1891.

Entered in the Postoffice at Meredosia, Ill.,
as Second Class Mail Matter.

Advertising rates made known upon
application.

TERMS \$1.25 A YEAR, IN ADVANCE.

It was reported at Butte, Mont.,
that the Rothschilds had purchased
the Anaconda mines for \$25,000,000.

The Chinese government having no-
tified ours that Ex-Senator Blair would
not be acceptable as minister to that
country, he was recalled to Washington
from Chicago, at which point he was
on his way to China, via San Francis-
co.

A POET of recent birth writes:
When all our girls have lost their sex,
Must Papa Rock The cradle?

Of course not. When the girls have
lost their sex there will be nothing to
put in the cradle.

This pork we now send abroad is no
better than it has been for years, it is
more free from infection than it has
always been, but a government certifi-
cate of character now accompanies it,
and that sort of guaranty goes a long
way with a people which reveres offi-
cial seals and adores red tape.

It has been finally settled in Scot-
land that after a single man and woman
have kept company for fourteen
years, and have not denied to outsiders
that they contemplated matrimony,
that the man can be sued for breach-
of-promise, and that no further proof
shall be needed by the plaintiff.

ANOTHER reliable prophetic prophe-
cies. A German doctor in Minnesota
proclaims to the people that the world
will come to an end April 17, 1901. He
also says that earthquakes will prevail
for about ten years previous to that
time, and that there will be many
moons, storms will be fearful and will
begin this summer lasting without
cessation until 1901. And, he says, in
three years the greatest and most
bloody war in the world's history will
begin.

The business methods of one man
are entirely different from those of
another. One man is always borrow-
ing and risking. He borrows and pays
a higher rate of interest, and he suc-
ceeds because his plans and combina-
tions work out all right. Another
won't go in debt. He holds his own
purse strings, and yet he succeeds
equally as well as his more specula-
tive neighbor. Cut and dried rules do
not seem to count much either way,
but each plan of procedure appears
simple enough till one comes to try it.

THAT pestiferous and destructive
little insect known as the chinch bug
will be numbered among the things
that were if the experiments now be-
ing made by Prof. H. F. Snow, the
Kansas state entomologist, prove as
successful as they promise to be. Prof.
Snow recently discovered that the in-
sect pest is infested with a disease
called chlamydia in certain sections. The
disease can be disseminated, as the
bugs take it very readily. The pro-
fessor secures a lot of healthy bugs,
places them in a jar with the mortu-
ary remains of the chlamydia stricken
insects, and then distributes them
throughout the state. The disease
spreads, and the bugs die off by the
millions in a very short time. Where
ever tried the chinch bug have been
completely exterminated. The Kan-
sas legislature appropriated \$3,500 to
enable him to carry on his experiments,
and his demonstrations of the fruit of
his theory will relieve the farmers of a
constant and costly danger.

A few weeks ago it was generally
published that government was hav-
ing no luck in enticing Indians to be-
come soldiers. A different story is
now told, and it is stated that "the
war department is pleased with the
success it has met with in the enlist-
ment of Indians in the army. Already
three troops have been formed and the
depa meant expect to have others in a
short time. It is the intention of the
department to utilize Indians who
graduate from the Indian schools in
the capacity of tailors, cooks,
mechanics, blacksmiths, etc., in con-
nection with the Indian companies,
and the Indian bureau will be urged
to do all in their power to educate
Indian youths to fill such positions."
The war department official and the
army officials think the success of the
enlistment of the Indians will go a
great way to solve the Indian question
and them self-supporting.

YOUNG men, and there are many of
you, dost thou go about at night and
rush the growler and preambulate
with the feminine? Dost thou hoop
'em up with the boys and figure for
the jackpot and bank thy shekles
against the slippery tiger? Art thou
a guzzler of beer and a player of cards?
Dost thou suck a ten cent cigar, and
bust thou lost thy grip on the ways
that are right and wisdom which is
good in this world? Verily I say unto
you, if thou art in a bad row of stumps
it will not be long ere thou dost know
that thy name is pants. Thy heels
fly up ere thou hast fallen into the in-
vitable soup. Keep thy eye on the
gun and monkey not with the intoxicat-
ing juice of the bug. Steer widely of
the man with the ace, in the ripening
years of thy life thy pockets are full of
collateral of the earth, while those
who mind not these commandments
are partaking of the lunch which is
free.

COUNTERFEIT COFFEE BEANS.
They Are Made of Flour, Pressed In-
to Shape, and Brownd--Their Use.

Counterfeit coffee is now handled by
a majority of the wholesale and retail
grocers of the country. The retailer
would probably deny such an accusa-
tion, but if he tells you he can sell
good Java coffee for 25 cents a pound
you may depend upon it that he is
either selling below the actual cost or
is giving you a mixture of pure coffee
with adulterants.

The counterfeit is a manufactured
bean of which wheat or rye flour is the
principal ingredient. This flour is
mixed to the consistency of a paste
and moulded by machinery to the size
and shape of a coffee bean. These are
baked to the same shade of brown as
the roasted coffee and mixed with the
genuine. A close examination of un-
ground coffee into which the spurious
berry has been introduced will reveal
its presence, but an expert may be de-
ceived in the ground article, and this
is the form in which the bulk of it is
sold.

A prominent wholesale grocer on
Walsh avenue showed a Tribune re-
porter a sample of "mixed Java" for
which he had considerable trade. It
is a mixture of Java, paste beans and
chicory. This mixture can be retailed
at 25 cents a pound and leave a fair
per cent of profit for both wholesale
and retailer. The merchant explain-
ed that the mixture was sold for what
it was--never as a pure article--by his
firm and by all the better class of
wholesalers. The only deception, if
any deception there was, was practised
by the retailer in selling to the con-
sumer. He said:

"We have a demand for a cheap cof-
fee which cannot be supplied except
by the use of these adulterants. A re-
tail grocer asks for a coffee at a certain
price and the price he sets regulates
the percentage of paste and chicory
used. Coffees are now so high that
there is a large amount of this stuff
used. A staple, cheap brand of roast-
ed coffee, which used to sell for 20 cents
has been run up by the short crop to
25 cents, and the retailer cannot sell
it for less than 30 cents. The increas-
ed price has now made a demand for
another and a cheaper brand.

"While I am not in favor of selling
adulterated goods, I found a demand
for a cheap coffee that could not be
filled without the use of chicory and
'counterfeit coffee.' There is nothing
harmful about the paste beans any
more than there would be about bread.
It simply weakens the coffee and re-
quires the use of a larger quantity."

There are factories for the manu-
facture of the bean in Philadelphia,
Boston, and Trenton, N. J., and an
enterprising Sioux City man has re-
cently begun the manufacture of the
article. Some of the paste beans used
are imported from Germany, but by
far the greatest part is manufactured
in the United States.--Chicago Trib-
une.

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--Corn 55c. to 65c.
--Meal, 80c.
--Eggs 12c.
--Wheat 15c.
--Flour, \$1.25.
--Butter, 15c.
--Bran, 9c. cwt.
--Coarse Feed, \$1. cwt.
--Shipstuffs, \$1. cwt.
--Hogs, \$4.25 to \$4.50.
--Potatoes, \$1. to \$1.50.
--Sweet Potatoes, \$2.00.
--Mixed Feed, \$1. cwt.
--Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
--Subscribe for THE NEWS.
--Geo. Burrus is a new clerk at Rays.
--Ben Crawford, of Arenzville was in town Sunday.
--G. W. Graham, was in Quincy on business last Monday.
--New spring styles of wall paper at Rays.
--Chas. Heinz, sr. was a visitor at Chambersburg Friday.
--For lumber at low prices go to Rays.
--Chas. Burgess, of Versailles was in the city last Friday evening.
--P. BAUMAN'S
Penciling from \$1.00 per hundred up-
wards at
--Keener & Pike shipped upwards of five hundred sacks of corn on the Pike Friday.
--Lowest prices on watches, clocks and jewelry at Ray's drug store.
--Mrs. Alice Brady and children, of Bluffs, spent Sunday in town visiting friends.
--Strictly pure white lead 6 cents per pound at Ray's.
--Stone Masons are at work on the basements of A. E. Ritscher and M. S. Lewinson's new business houses.
--New goods arriving daily at Mrs. Smithson's.
--C. H. Parnell's new brick building is nearing completion. When com-
pleted Charles will have one of the
most business houses in town.
--Call and see my fashionable line of millinery just received.
--Mrs. Wm. Smithson.
--Meredosia is noted for its big 4th of July celebrations. Is it not about time to call a meeting to make arrange-
ments for the coming 4th? Lets get a move on us.
--Tiddley Winks and all the new popular games at Ray's.
--Rev. M. B. McFadden will preach the G. A. R. memorial sermon at the M. E. Church in this place on the 4th Sunday in this month. Everybody in-
vited.
--Gold dollars for 90 cents at Ray's drug and grocery store.

--The river is on the decline.
--The Lotus has been up the river this week.
--Jas. Peters of Versailles, was in the city Tuesday evening.
--Miss Lettie Crawford accompa-
nied her brother to Arenzville Sunday.
--Agents for the Singer sewing ma-
chine have been among us for a few days.
--C. H. Parnell is in Chicago this week purchasing the fixtures for his saloon.
--Our town was blessed with a re-
freshing rain Sunday night. It seems to have been general.
--Bill Giegar, a former "Dosh boy,
but now of Iowa, has been spending several days in this place.
--The local freight going east in the morning will hereafter pass this place at 10:00 instead of 10:40.
--Capt. James Edmundson, of Macon City, Ill., was the guest of his brother, Julius, last Saturday and Sunday.
--Misses Floy and Grace Graham and Lucy Plowman attended commencement at Arenzville Tuesday evening.
--John Pyatt, Jacksonville's enter-
prising cigar maker, is in the city to-
day (Wednesday) among his old ac-
quaintances.
--T. K. Ball & Son will remove their
renovator to Arenzville this week.
They have given good satisfaction to
the people of this place and we are
sorry to lose them. However, his
family will remain here.
--Today (Thursday) the Wabash
will sell round trip tickets to Spring-
field for the very low rate of \$17.50,
good for one day only. Let all take
advantage of this low rate and spend
one day at the State Capitol.
--F. A. Ray, of Chicago, was here
Tuesday and the contract for the erec-
tion of the new hotel was let to Quincy
parties. Work was begun on the base-
ment this (Wednesday) morning, and
it will be pushed forward as fast as
possible.
--Versailles is to have a new paper
called the Brown County Herald.
Fred Bond will be the proprietor and
we believe his success is assured. He
is a hustler and will make for that
town a live paper, replete with all the
latest foreign and local news. Mr.
Bond was in our place Tuesday even-
ing and made us a call.
--Says an exchange--A retired
farmer who has time to try experi-
ments and note the result, says that
for the last three years he has planted
a bean or two in each potato hill and
has never seen a Colorado beetle on
the potato crops where beans were
growing in the same hill. If this is a
protection against the bugs the remedy
is a simple one and will pay for the
trouble in the crops of beans.
--Many years practice has given C.
A. Snow & Co., Solicitors of Patents
at Washington D. C., unsurpassed
success in obtaining patents for all
classes of invention. They make a
specialty of rejected cases and have
secured allowance of many patents that
had been previously rejected. Their
advertisement in another column will
be of interest to inventors, patentees,
manufacturers and all who have to do
with patents.

--Miss Mary Higgins, of Jackson-
ville, spent Tuesday in this place.
--Mrs. Rowland and daughter, Pet,
left for their home in Indiana Wednes-
day.
--A social party was held at the re-
sidence of Mrs. Kate Hessenkaup, in
the south part of town Tuesday even-
ing. An enjoyable time was had by
all present.
--Just a year ago Charles T. Yerkes
made a contract with Frank H. Ray
for the conveyance of a piece of prop-
erty at the corner of State and Ran-
dolph street. Ray wanted the land,
which has only twenty-eight feet front-
age, for building purposes, and it is
contended in the praecipe filed in the
circuit court yesterday that Yerkes
failed to live up to his contract. Ray
had prepared plans for a building
which he had determined to erect on
the lot, but discovered that the land
had been sold to the promoters of the
Masonic temple. This is why he sued
Charles T. Yerkes for \$100,000 damages.
Mr. Ray is the vice-president of the P.
J. Sorg company.--Chicago Herald.
Mr. Ray is a brother of our druggist
C. R. Ray, and is also the gentleman
that is going to erect the hotel and
opera house in this place.
--Misses Palmer and Bailey will give
a musical and literary concert at
Einstein's hall, Tuesday evening,
May 19. As musicians the Misses
Palmer rank among the first, as the
press of the country assert. They
have been teaching music in this place
for some time and they need no recom-
mendation to our people. In speaking
of the Demorest medal contest in
which Miss Bailey took part the De-
catur Standard says: "While awaiting
the decision of the judges Miss Bailey
recited 'Tom's Little Star.' The se-
lection introduced extracts of all kinds
from Shakespeare and offered fine op-
portunities for effective acting and
good elocution, which the speaker did
not fail to improve. The recitation
brought forth great applause compel-
ling her to respond with another." Let
everybody turn out and give them a
good house.

Take Notice.
Notice is hereby given that my
wife, Lizzie Robinson, having left my
bed and board without just cause and
provocation, I hereby warn all persons
not to trust or harbor her on my ac-
count as I will not be responsible for
any debts that she may contract.
J. W. Hounson.
Meredosia, Ills., May 14, 1891.

Notice to Trespassers.
All persons are hereby warned not to
trespass on the school ground, under
penalty of the law.
A. M. WALDO, Pres.
JOSEPH SCHWITT,
W. J. HALE.

Now Try This.
It will cost you nothing and will
surely do you good, if you have a
cough, cold, or any trouble with
throat, chest or lungs. Dr. King's
New Discovery for consumption,
coughs and colds is guaranteed to give
relief, or money will be paid back.
Sufferers from La Grippe found it just
the thing and under its use had a
speedy and perfect recovery. Try a
sample bottle at our expense and learn
for yourself just how good a thing it
is. Trial bottles free at Ray's drug
store. Large size 50c. and \$1.00.

Notice.
My wife Mary E. Berry, having left
my bed and board without just cause, I
hereby warn all persons not to trust or
harbor her on my account, as I will not
be responsible for any debts that she
may contract. **JOSEPH BERRY.**
Dated, May 7, 1891.

**Jacksonville's Mayo Can't be Enu-
dozed.**
JACKSONVILLE, Ills., May 12.--The
political contest in this city is ended
by an unconditional surrender of the
republican adherents. They went into
the city council room last night in
obedience to a call from the mayor.
They held out for over two weeks,
hoping to coerce the newly elected
democratic mayor into dividing the
offices. The mayor gave the republi-
cans seven out of twelve committees.

Wreck on the Burlington.
BEARDSTOWN, Illinois, May 12.--A
wreck occurred Sunday evening on the
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad
about one mile south of this city.
Freight train No. 16 was starting on
the south trip and had attained fair
speed when it was derailed. Five box
cars were upset and badly damaged.
The engine is a complete wreck. En-
gineer Lathrop and his fireman and a
brakeman were all in the engine and
were dragged a considerable distance,
but escaped without serious injury.
Lathrop was somewhat scalded and
the others bruised. Someone had med-
dled with the switch.

From Naples.
Will Hyatt, of Meredosia, is visiting
friends here.
Frank Wilson, of Dosh, spent Sun-
day in Naples.
Enoch Fry and family, of Merit, are
visiting friends here.
Henry Hamer and wife were trading
in Jacksonville Saturday.
Washington Sears died at his home
Sunday morning at 3 o'clock.
Mrs. Elvige visited her daughter,
Eva, at Jacksonville last week.
D. Waits spent Sunday at home, ac-
companied by his sister, Mrs. George
Baker.
Mrs. Marsh and her Sunday school
class held a picnic Thursday, north of
town.
Misses Nellie Lindsay and Hulha
Abrams visited friends in Meredosia
last week.
Mrs. Jessie Mappin and daughter,
Nellie, were visiting in Jacksonville,
Saturday.
Miss Callie Moore, who has been
living near Jacksonville, returned
home Monday.
Mrs. Charlie Lewis, of Decatur, and
children are visiting at her father-
in-law's, P. N. Lewis.
Mr. Frank Harper, of Kansas City,
Mo., is visiting his parents, Mr. and
Mrs. Harper. His many friends are
glad to see him at home again.
Mrs. Frank Linkins and daughter,
Connie, and sister, Miss Parker, Mrs.
Lee and Misses Minnie and Ida Kin-
son and several others were picnicing
at Valley City Saturday.
May 11. Per.

Illinois School Statistics.
Superintendent of Census Porter, in
response to inquiries, has furnished
the following educational statistics
about this state. He says: "The
showing for Illinois is that the state
has an aggregate of 773,330 scholars in
public schools, 75,958 in parochial
schools and 28,164 in private schools.
In the public schools there are 773,205
whites and 5,054 negroes. The male
whites number 394,739; and the female
whites 378,538. In the parochial
schools there are only 156 negroes out
of a total of 75,958, and in the private
schools only 53 negroes out of a total
of 28,164. The males and females are
about equally divided in the parochial
schools, while in the private schools
there are 16,620 males to 11,481
females.
"The public schools of the state em-
ploy 23,271 teachers, of which 6,869 are
male and 15,392 female. The parochi-
al schools have 1,490 teachers and the
private schools 1,724. Only one col-
ored teacher is employed in the private
schools, three in parochial schools and
twenty-five in public schools.
"The per cent of gain in population
of the state during the last ten years
has been 24, but the per cent of gain in
public school enrollment has only been
10. Cook county has 150,901 scholars
in its public schools, or ten times as
many as in the schools of any other
county in the state."

Thoughtful Thoughts.
Most great men are conservative.
All that I am, my mother made me.
Time conquers all, and we must all
obey.
Gradual gains are the only natural
gains.
Not every sort of industry tends to
wealth.
Women teach us repose, civility,
and dignity.
Everybody can detect an error, but
not a lie.
A great nature is calm and quiet
and retiring.
Broken faith cannot be tied up with
red tape.
Nothing is troublesome that we do
willingly.
It is the small nature that is inclin-
ed to agitate.
A giving hand, though foul, shall
have fair praise.
Nature meant to make women its
mistresses.
When trained in the way you should
go--go ahead.
Think nothing in conduct unimport-
ant or indifferent.
Driving nails into the sky is rather
a random business.
How much pain the evils have cost
us that have never happened.
Smiles are the higher and better re-
sponses of nature to the emotion of
the soul.
Carry the radiance of your soul in
your face; let the world have the bene-
fit of it.
The days are made on a loom where-
of the warp and wool are past the fu-
ture time.
Many teachers fail, not because they
lack knowledge, but because they
lack method.
In this world full often our joys are
only the tender shadows which our
sorrows cast.

The Meredosia News.

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DEMOCRATIC JUDICIAL TICKET.

Election Takes Place Monday, June 1,
1891.

For Judges of the Judicial Circuit:
CYRUS EPLER.
GEORGE W. HERDMAN.
LYMAN LACEY.

MONDAY, June 1st, is the date of
the Judicial election.

The fro king has not slighted either
city or country this Spring.

The Farmer's Alliance may be un-
popular in Ohio politics this year.

Mr. BLAINE appears to be very busy
"sawing wood" these days to talk
about the Presidential nomination of
his party.

If the national banking system be
the best ever devised, as its friends
claim why does it need so much news-
paper defense? Information is what
the people are after.

EX-SPEAKER REED, J. S. Clarkson
and "Mark Twain" are among the
distinguished Americans now travel-
ing in Europe, but these three cannot
be classed as "Innocents Abroad."

AN Ohio editor traded his paper for
a mule. There are other so-called
editors not a thousand miles away
who might follow his example with
advantage to themselves and the
public.

In order to believe the statement
made on the authority of the National
Association of Insane Asylum Super-
intendents, that no sane person has
ever been confined in an insane asylum
in this country, it must be accepted as
a fact that they are no sane person.

A MEMBER of the British Parliament
has been sent to jail for immoral prac-
tices. If his case is to be taken as a
precedent and the English papers have
told the truth about the characters of
the rest of them, Parliament is in
danger of soon being without a
quorum.

Who was it that said Spain was a
century behind the rest of the world?
They are plowing by electricity over
there which would seem to indicate that
they are up to it not a little in ad-
vance of the head of the procession.
America is highly progressive, but we
haven't a monopoly in that line.

ARE we becoming a nation of luna-
tics? We are not by nature inclined
to take the alarmist side of any ques-
tion-but a bulletin recently issued
by the Census bureau makes the
percentage of increase in insanity dur-
ing the last decade 73.3 against an in-
crease in population of only 28.89 per
cent., which, we think, makes the
question pertinent.

The young man seems to be coming
to the front in this country at a lively
pace. When the United States Senate
is next called to order it will contain
three members under forty-seven.
Mr. Chilton, the newly appointed Sen-
ator from Texas is only thirty-seven.
It remains to be seen how these young-
sters will compare in legislative abili-
ties with their older colleagues.

Even now and then a statement
of some sort headed "surprised the
doctors" gives the rumormongers of the
press. If our medical friends would only
up and dare say that they meet with
surprises in nearly every case which
they treat. The practice of medicine
is not an exact science, nor is it one
that can be entirely learned from
books. When the physician receives
his diploma he is just fairly entered
upon his studies, and he ends them
only when he dies or retires from prac-
tice.

Is these days when partisan politics
may be found in almost everything, it
is a positive pleasure to note the un-
animity with which the press of the
United States has endorsed and stood
by Secretary Blaine in the controversy
with the Italian Government. It
shows that although we may carry
on bitter quarrels among ourselves
about our home affairs we are all
Americans and as such ready to stand
shoulder to shoulder in opposition to
any foreign power that may attempt
to tread on the tails of Uncle Sam's coat.

A FEW personal enemies of some of
the judicial nominees endeavored to
get out an opposition ticket for the
election June 1st. The people how-
ever, irrespective of party, endorse the
old judges, and they cannot be hood-
doed nor lead into any scheme just to
please a few persons who have a few
axes to grind. To prevent any sneak,
every voter who desires to see the
judiciary kept pure and unbiased, will
make an effort to be at the polls Mon-
day June 1st.—Beardstown Enterprise.

Mr. HARRISON, if one may judge
from the published reports of one of
his Colorado speeches, that followed
the example of Mr. Cleveland in inti-
mating that he might change his
mind on the silver question, at least
that is the meaning we put upon this
language: "I believe we shall find a
common interest and safe ground upon
all these great questions. By moder-
ating our own views and making
reasonable and just concessions we
shall find them all wisely and in true
interests of the people." It is, of
course, possible that Mr. Harrison re-
ferred to the silver men exclusively
when he said "By moderating our own
views" as it is part of human nature
to be believed that it is always the
other fellow's that need moderating.

The judicial election is near at hand
and democrats should be up and doing.
An opposition ticket was nominated
at White Hall last Saturday and it is to
be presumed that they will work hard
for its election. It is called the
"Farmers Alliance" ticket and the
candidates named thereon are Jim
Beach, of Logan county; J. M. Riggs,
of Scott county and E. P. Kirby, of
Morgan county. Beach and Riggs
were candidates before the regular
democratic convention and were de-
feated by the old judges, Herdman,
Lacey and Epler, while Kirby is a
Republican. If this is the kind of
democrats Beach and Riggs are every
democrat in the district should make
an effort to put an end to their politi-
cal career at the earliest possible
moment.—Beardstown Enterprise.

AN APPEAL TO THE BUSINESS MEN.

Now is the time, citizens of Mered-
osia, if there ever was one, when con-
cert action on your part will improve
the town, raise the value of your prop-
erty, make steady employment for the
laboring men, bring in manufactures
and be of great benefit to the town
and country at large. Business men,
meet together fraternally as a body
and form an association for the im-
provement of the town. It will do no
harm and may be productive of much
good not only to yourselves but the
laboring men and the community at
large. Go down in your pockets and
pull out those dollars which have be-
come rusty from long years disuse.

Each of you subscribe an amount
in proportion to your means to organize
a stock company for the promotion of
industries which would thrive here.
For instance: a canning factory, fruit
evaporator or vinegar factory, vinegar
to be made from unmarketable water
melons, brick and tile works, cooper
shop and stove factory. Any of these
industries will pay and will only re-
quire about \$1000 to start on a small
scale. We also want a glass factory,
paper mill and furniture factory. Offer
all of these free and other inducements
if necessary. Five thousand
dollars is made as a standing offer by
one of our citizens for a distillery.

Notice.

My wife, Mary P. Barfield, having
left my bed and board without just
cause, I hereby warn all persons not to
trust or harbor her on my account, as I
will not be responsible for any debts,
that she may contract.

THOMAS BARFIELD.
May 15, 1891.

—There are many different ways for
love to triumph over opposition, but
one of the most unique and original
plans we have ever heard of was re-
lated to us a few days since. The two
loving hearts reside in Burlington.
Romeo is a clerk in a leading business
house in that city and Juliet's father
is one of the proprietors of the estab-
lishment who has forbidden Juliet hav-
ing anything to do with Romeo, and
has continually kept his eyes upon the
sweetheart, but as usual, love laughs
at the locksmith. The old gentleman
wears a "Silk tie" and when he is at
the store hangs it in the office. Romeo
writes his letter and puts it in the lin-
ing of the old gents hat which is worn
home and hung on the rack in the hall.
Juliet goes out and gets her mail and
writes an answer and deposits it in the
same place, the hat returns to the
store with the sweet, mischievous, and
hung in the accustomed place, and
thus Romeo and Juliet make a mail
carrier of the opposing parent.

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From one end of our stock to the other at
J. H. CARVER'S STORE.

This season we are making it easy for our customers to look hap-
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You will find them Fresh, New Goods, from the Lead-
ing Manufacturers and all the Latest approved
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CHOICEST BARGAINS,
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REPAIRS,

FOR SALE BY
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Entitled. Dependent widows and parents
now dependent whose sons died from effects
of army service are included. If you wish
your claim speedily and successfully pro-
cessed.
Address
JAMES TRENNER,
Late Com. of Pensions, WASHINGTON, D. C.

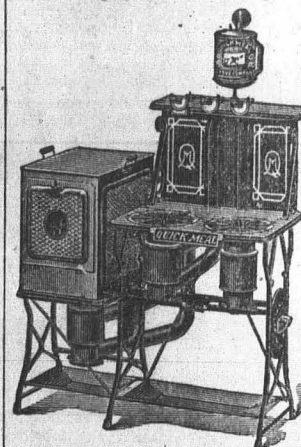
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FRESH BREAD AND CAKES!
Constantly kept on hand.

Highest Market Price paid for

COUNTRY-PRODUCE.

Customers will find our stock complete and all sold
at moderate prices. Medicines warranted genu-
ine and of the best quality.

WHEN YOU GO TO.....
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.....TO BUY.....
DRY GOODS

You will save TIME by going to the largest store, because you can see a
greater variety at once. You will save MONEY because the biggest store has
always the lowest prices, that's how it gets to be the biggest. You will save
TROUBLE and worry, because in the best store, conducted on modern prin-
ciples, there is only one price asked one price taken. The largest and best
in Jacksonville is

TRADE PALACE

on the East Side of the Public Square.

It will pay you every time to make your purchases there.

WM. PATERSON.

THIS IS FOR YOU!

PLEASE READ IT!

REMEMBER THAT JACKSONVILLE'S ONLY
ONE: PRICE: CLOTHIER

DOES AS HE ADVERTISES. NAMELY:
HONEST VALUES AND

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Give us a trial and be convinced.
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sample bottle at our expense and learn
for yourself just how good a thing it
is. Trial bottles free at Ray's drug
store. Large size 50c, and \$1.00.

See the Garden City hat, warranted
at Ray's.

Subscribe for THE NEWS.

Specimen Cases.

S. H. Clifford, New Cassel, Wis., was
troubled with Neuralgia and Rheuma-
tism, his stomach was disordered, his
tongue was affected to an alarming de-
gree, appetite fell away, and he was
reduced in flesh and strength. Three
bottles of Electric Bitters cured him.
Edward Shepherd, Harrisburg, Ill.,
had a running sore on his leg of eight
years' standing. Used three bottles of
Electric Bitters, and seven boxes of
Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and his leg is
sound and well. John Speaker, Ca-
tawba, O., had five large fever sores
on his leg. Doctors said he was incur-
able. One bottle Electric Bitters and
one box Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured
him entirely. Sold by C. R. Ray.

For lumber at low prices go to
Ray's.

—D. Y. Minniss, sheriff of Brown
county, was in town Tuesday morning.

—The Niagara left for Chicago last
week loaded with grain for Einstman
& Co.

Pyatt's Tariff and New Fives five
cent cigar on sale at F. Einstman's
store.

—The Belle of Ottawa came down
last week loaded with rock for our new
business houses.

Pyatt's Lady Clare, the best ten
cent cigar in the market, at Ray's
drug store.

—Quite a number from this place
went to Springfield last Thursday to
see the President.

Nice, new fresh stock of fancy and
staple groceries. Best goods at bot-
tom prices at Ray's drug and grocery
store.

—Jno. Vanderlip and wife spent
Sunday in Beardstown. Mr. Vander-
lip returned Sunday but his wife re-
mained until Tuesday.

It will pay you to inspect my stock
and prices before buying your lumber,
lime, sash, doors, paints and oils. I
can do you good. Dr. C. R. RAY.

—So far advanced is the wheat crop
in this locality that some farmers are
topping it so that it will not be blown
down. The harvest promises to be the
earliest on record.—Rushville Times.

—Wesley Bonfield killed a maddog
on last Saturday at M. S. Hosford's
residence northeast of this place. The
dog bit a cow belonging to Mr. Hos-
ford's before it was killed.—Versailles
Enterprise.

—It has been proved beyond ques-
tion that some brands of cigarette
contain a great deal of opium while
the wrapper warranted to be pure paper
is only common paper whitened with
arsenic.

—Why not cut the property in the
southeast part of town up into town
lots and offer them for sale? As they
now are, they are doing the owners no
good and as the property is an excel-
lent tract it ought to find ready sales.

—A man who has tried it says that
two or three dandelion leaves, chewed
before going to bed, will always pro-
duce sleep, no matter how worried or
nervous a man be. And they cause no
weakness or headache, such as follows
the use of chloral of morphia.

—All station agents on the roaring
Rock Island route are now obliged to
wear uniforms. The other day, an
order flashed along the telegraph line,
saying, "Tailor on the next train.
Be ready to be measured for pants."
It scared the lady operator at Minonk
half to death.

Fencing from \$1.00 per hundred up-
wards at
P. BAUMAN'S.

—From the newspapers of San
Francisco it is learned that one hun-
dred and ninety-five cases of leprosy
have been traced by physicians to the
smoking of cigarettes that were made
by Chinese lepers, and an organ of the
tobacco trade admits that "few things
could be more hurtful to boys, grow-
ing youths and persons of unformed
constitutions, than the use of tobacco
in any form."

Strictly pure white lead 6 cents per
pound at Ray's.

—Many years practice has given C.
A. Snow & Co., Solicitors of Patents
at Washington D. C., unsurpassed
success in obtaining patents for all
classes of invention. They make a
specialty of rejected cases and have se-
cured allowance of many patents that
had been previously rejected. Their
advertisement in another column will
be of interest to inventors, patentees,
manufacturers and all who have to do
with patents.

Tiddledly Winks and all the new
popular games at Ray's.

—The English sparrow, it has been
discovered by the Peoria Journal, has
a mortal enemy in the common red-
headed woodpecker, who though no
giant among birds, is as big as a half a
dozen English sparrows and not afraid
of half a hundred. The woodpecker's
beak is so hard, and his head and neck
is so powerful that in a single stroke
he can kill a sparrow, and the English
birds have become aware of his powers,
and are much afraid of him. The ap-
pearance of a red-headed woodpecker
will set a whole flock of sparrows to
flight, and the only time they will face
him is when he makes an onset on
their nests. The eggs of the sparrows
are not larger than peas, and their
young about the size of grubworms,
and a nest full of sparrows is a dainty
picnic for a woodpecker, which he is
careful not to overlook. The sparrow
will fight but they cannot drive them
away.

Gold dollars for 60 cents at Ray's
drug and grocery store.

—A. R. Graves, of Versailles, was
here between trains Tuesday morning.

—Miss Lizzie Barlow, of Mt. Ster-
ling, visited here with her sister, Mrs.
Minnie Bushnell over Sunday.

—We direct your attention to the
new ads. of Geo. Geiss, Burrus Bros.
and Wm. Patterson in this issue.

—Ed Geiss and wife, left for River-
side Sanitarium, at Hamilton, Sunday
morning. They expect to be gone two
weeks.

—Thomas Baker and wife, of Camp
Point, were in the city last week.
Mrs. Baker is a sister to Mrs. Zim-
merman.

—Dr. Ray has added a nice line of
men's, women and childrens shoes in
all styles. It will pay you to get his
prices before buying.

—It is wonderful what an effect the
marshall's presence will have on the
quietude of the boys who frequent the
back part of the hall.

—The musical and elocutionary en-
tertainment at Einstman's Hall on
Tuesday evening was fairly attended
and as an entertainment is above the
average.

—Capt. James Edmundson, who has
been spending a few days with his
brother, and family, left on the Steam-
er Pike Tuesday morning for Camp-
ville, where he will visit for awhile.

Old Government Java coffee at 35
cents a pound at Carver's.

—Milo Ripley and sister, Mrs.
Owens and mother, Mrs. Ripley, left
Monday evening for Salida, Colo.
Mrs. Ripley and Mrs. Owens will re-
main there but Milo will return
August 1st.

Children's corset waists, all sizes
at Carver's.

—Mrs. Harriet Zimmerman, died
at her home in this place last Friday
evening. Her remains were taken to
Quincy for interment Sunday. We are
unable to furnish an obituary this
week, but one will appear next.

When in need of a first class sewing
machine call on our sewing machine
agent, J. C. Kratz.

—This week we publish at the head
of our editorial columns the Democra-
tic Judicial Ticket. It is unnecessary
for us to say anything in regard to
the candidates, as they have served in
this capacity before and all know their
worth on the bench.

Buy a pair of ladies shoes for \$1.00
at Carver's.

—A Dickinson county, Kansas, editor
received a notice from a subscriber
last week which said: "Please stop
my paper there aint nothing in it and
I don't want it." The editor replied:
"The reason there is nothing in my pa-
per is because nothing happens to put
it in. It ought to be worth a dollar a
year to you to know that nothing has
happened. I shall continue it until
further orders."

30 inch figured sateen at 10 cents
per yard at J. H. Carver's.

—J. Fowler, general superintendent
of the Thomas Press Brick Co., man-
ufacturers of plain and ornamental
pressed brick in red, light, pink, mot-
tled-granite and other colors, of Brus-
sels, Ills., was in this place last week.
Their brick are pronounced by those
who have used them to be second to
none in this country. Mr. F. is very
much impressed with Meredosia. He
made many friends while here.

Ladies' corset waist, all sizes at
Carver's.

—If you want to know what people
outside of Meredosia think of us read
this from the Quincy Whig: Mr.
Peter H. Meyer returned yesterday
from Meredosia, where he closed a con-
tract with Mr. Frank H. Ray, of Chi-
cago, for the erection of a large hotel
and opera house combined at a cost of
\$20,000. Mr. Meyer reports Meredosia
as being a very lively little city. Several
business blocks are now in process
of erection, while business in general
is brisk. Mr. Meyer spent an hour
there entangling the funny tribe and
brought home a fine string of fish.

Summer corsets, all sizes, at Car-
ver's.

—About every other man you meet
these days carries one of those little
tin tubes or dine savings banks in his
pocket, and every time one of these
men gets a dime in his change it is
slipped into the slot, there to remain
until the 5th limit is registered and the
bank opened. This saving craze is al-
ready creating a dearth of change.
There is only about \$22,000,000 frac-
tional currency in circulation and it
may be readily seen that a scarcity
can easily be occasioned by hoarding at
a portion of it. A business man passed
out some dimes in change the oth-
er day to come forth until automati-
cally opened. "Darn those things,"
remarked the merchant, "there will be
no dimes in circulation pretty soon."

—State Register.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

Quincy is to have a new opera house. Diphtheria is prevailing in Farmington, Ill.

Pike country is infested with lightning rod swindlers.

There has been some petty thieving done at Nauvoo the past week.

Quincy people are being married by telephone, and we guess it's all right, if it sticks.

LaHarpe is to have a new industry: a butter and cheese factory. All the stock is subscribed.

The Clayton temperance people are holding meetings to rejoice over the overthrow of saloons.

"Scaly" Wilson, of Rushville, who has been held since July last for the murder of his wife, was last week set free.

Barry's license for revenue people are warm because only two licenses were granted, there being five applicants.

J. W. Creekmur has been employed as superintendent of the Camp Point schools for the ensuing year. Salary \$1,000.

A Schuyler county man claims to have invented a machine that will grind and stack as many acres of corn in a day as a planter will put in.

Some people poisoned fourteen hogs for C. P. Lippincott the other night and all of them were found dead the next morning.—Griggsville Press.

Dr. Henry, of La Harpe, has fallen heir to \$400,000 by the death of a brother in Ireland. He, his wife and two daughters are now on their way to take possession of the goods.

About eight years ago Henry Gruse, of Quincy, was badly injured by being run over by a street car. Since that time the case has been in court and last week he was awarded \$4,000.

Macomb has been flooded with circulars from parties desiring to put on the market, counterfeit notes. Luckily the papers of that city got on the rack in season to thoroughly ventilate the scheme.

Benj. Ramp, who recently died in Knox county, lost an arm and a leg when a boy, and yet when he died he had supported a large family in comfort and had amassed one hundred thousand dollars.

Jack the Clothline, Cutter, is in Quincy. At least a dozen clothes-lines are said to have been cut within the last week. The work seems to be in line of malicious mischief, as nothing has been stolen.

A Mt. Sterling alderman at a recent council meeting suggested that some action be taken by the city authorities against converting the principal streets of the city into a daily station dress parade bazar and gentleman-equine curriculum. The suggestion is a good one.

May 15 is the date fixed when electric light will be turned on at Mt. Sterling. A correspondent from that much puffed-up town to Quincy Whig says: "A stout, well formed man, representing himself to be thoroughly honest, truthful and temperate, applied to the mayor a few days ago for the job of blowing out the electric lights."

A few days since, a Lewinstown citizen, unaccustomed to magnificent plate glass fronts, such as are found in progressive cities like Canton, attempted to walk through Dave & Dick's door, for the purpose of hailing a friend whom he saw passing. Fortunately no damage was done, further than the fracture of the glass, which he promptly paid for.—Canton Republican.

Wednesday last Wesley Walton a young man of Plymouth, brought a check on Bowen bank for \$250 to the Augusta bank and had it cashed. The check was from J. J. Browning and for Wesley Walton, an uncle of the young man, who also resides at Plymouth. It is supposed the nephew departed immediately for his former home in Kansas, with the money.

Says Tom Camp, of the Bushnell Record: "After his armies had swept the face of the earth Alexander went because there were no other worlds to conquer. Had he lived in this day he might have tried to crown his record of brilliant victories by making a 12x19 foot carpet cover a floor thirteen feet square, without the aid of profanity, and his wife blissfully watching him, making gentle suggestions."

A Canton man has a novel way of dispersing loafers. Whenever a gang gathers in front of his store he places in the window an immense placard bearing the legend: "Those men outside there don't work."

Notice to Trespassers.

All persons are hereby warned not to trespass on the school ground, under penalty of the law.

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Notice.

My wife Mary E. Berry, having left my bed and board without just cause, I hereby warn all persons not to trust or harbor her on my account, as I will not be responsible for any debts that she may contract. JOSEPH BERRY.
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The beauty one sees is largely in him who sees it.

Children have more need of models than of critics.

Our Judicial Ticket.

As heretofore suggested in these columns all open opposition to Judges Epler, Herdman and Lacey seems to have disappeared and nought of that character now ruffles the surface of the judicial situation. But the experience of the democrats of the 34th senatorial district a few years ago should serve as a lesson to democrats, not only there but everywhere, for all time.

An undue amount of confidence in the size of the democratic majority of that district induced many democrats to refrain from voting at an election called to fill a vacancy therefrom in the lower house of the legislature with the consequence that a republican was elected and the election of a republican United States senator thus rendered certain.

While some of our friends may reasonably believe that there is no similarity between the situation of that senatorial district then and that of our judicial district at the present time, it will be far better for all interested to bear in mind the long accepted fact that "it is the unexpected that is most to be looked for in political happenings."

So much for that score, though before leaving it we would repeat our suggestion that the people should be wary and watchful in the matter. It is to their interest to be so, from the fact that though the efforts heretofore made to bring out an opposition ticket have failed there is no present way for determining what the next move will be.

For aught that is now known the opposition may have been planned to proceed on the "still hunt" plan. Watchfulness, therefore, should be the word.—Jacksonville Courier.

Illinois River Fish Protective Association.

From the following, which appeared in the Browning items of last week's Rushville Citizen, it would indicate that the fishermen who have recently been suffering from the raids made upon their nets and fishing grounds, by the fish commissioner, have organized themselves into a body to fight that official and the Gun and Rod Clubs in this section:

Quite a respectable crowd of fishermen from Beardstown came up on Saturday evening, on A. M. Smith's tug, and with the fishermen of this place held an enthusiastic meeting at T. B.

Miller's store room and organized a branch lodge of the Illinois River Fishermen's Protective Association. The object of the Association is to protect the fishermen of their business from the illegal and arbitrary action of the Fish Commission and to the law in the higher courts and see whether all the lakes and streams in Illinois are to be held, regardless of ownership of the same, as a royal reserve for the benefit of the "high toned" sports of the Gun and Rod Clubs, of this and other States. The meeting was called to order and addressed briefly by Wm. Swan, of Beardstown. The following officers were elected: President, G. A. Dyer; Vice-president, S. B. Dray; Secretary, J. M. Mitchell; Asst. Secretary, Ira N. Gibson; Treasurer, M. H. Shipper; Executive Committee: J. M. Carlock, F. M. Dodd, John Seward.

—A well-known Australian writer—a very bad penman—in mentioning the name of a certain lady in an article said she was "renowned for her graciousness and charity." For charity the compositor read "chastity." The author, on seeing a proof, recognized at once that there was an error, but, unable to remember the word he had used in place of "chastity," marked the proof with what is called a "query" (?)—to refer the printer to his manuscript. When the article appeared, the writer—who had intended to pay a pretty compliment to the lady—was surprised to read that she was renowned for her graciousness and chastity (?). Verdict for plaintiff, twenty-five hundred pounds sterling with costs.—New York Star.

LABOR IN SOUTH AMERICA.

Primitive Methods of the Native Laborers in Chili. We were anchored in the bay of Curico. The Osiris was surrounded by fighters laden with coal, which was being rapidly shoveled into the bunkers by dark-skinned natives. The white mist that hung over us made the water look like dull silver; in the foreground were ships at anchor and small lighters provided with winches and nets for dredging up the bits of coal that fall into the water while the steamers are loading; in the background were the winding wheels of the coal-pits; the moles, surrounded by trails of coal trucks; the sickly, sulphurous smoke streams of the inevitable smoking works; the small town of Coronel clustered along the sandy black beach; and, behind, the green hills diapered with mule paths and patches of red yellow earth. The most of the coal-heavers on the foredeck interested us. Great bowls of beans, lumps of salt beef and fat piles of biscuits and gallons of coffee were served out to them. Each man took what he needed of the solid chow, his corner of the coal, over the hatch, or simply on the bare deck, and ate with no more comfort than a dog. Then each man produced a large violet mussel shell, which he used in lieu of a spoon to scoop up the beans and drink the coffee. Let it be remarked that these coal-heavers earn high wages, as much as five Chilean dollars, or say ten shillings gold, a day, and their food gratis; and yet they remain little better than good-natured brutes, taking no strong drink while they are at work, but ready for any quantity of dissipation after sunset. In the extreme, and willing to work, and to work well, only when they have no money left to spend. Watching those strong, muscular fellows, I had some conversation with the Russian timber merchant about his experience of men and things in Chili, the subject having been led up to by my remarking the frequent evidences of primitiveness in Chilean methods of working. Speaking of the great strength and hardiness of the Chilean laborer, Herr C. said that this was still more noticeable in the more southern forest districts. At Puerto Montt, for instance, which is one of the most important timber points, the work is done entirely by hand. The trees are felled with axes, sawn into planks on the spot by hand, and the planks carried to the port from a distance of ten or twelve miles balanced on the shoulder of a man, who goes along under his burden at a run. None but native Chileans could do such work, and, given the absence of roads, and above all the nature of the workmen, all attempts to modernize the methods of getting out the timber have failed. Experiments have been made in introducing North American machinery, but without success. The innovators have invariably lost their money, and the natives, accustomed to do every thing with their own hands, have in the end wilfully broken the machinery, in order to have done with it. I mentioned the fact that the Chilean Government, as I had been informed, meditated the essay of Norwegian and Swedish colonists in these southern forest regions. Herr C. was of opinion that this scheme is utterly impracticable, for the simple reason that Scandinavian colonists would refuse to live like pigs, as the Chileans live. The present primitive methods are the cheapest and the most practical.—Theodore Ch.

Harper's Magazine.

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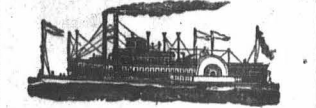
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THE MEREDOSIA NEWS.

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MEREDOSIA, ILLINOIS

During the past year there were over five million pieces of matter withdrawn from the mails because of incorrect or insufficient addresses.

The financier is a bigger man than the soldier in European affairs, and this makes the tightening of the purse strings of the bankers bad for the German and Russian war lords.

Since 1890 there have been retired in France 67 ministers of justice, 73 ministers of the interior, 73 ministers of foreign affairs, 54 ministers of finance, 71 ministers of war and 65 ministers of the navy.

ONE of the latest commercial ventures is the importation at New Orleans from Higo, Japan, of a cargo of uncleaned rice, the first of the kind ever received there. If successful other shipments will follow and other crops consigned to rice cleaning concerns, exploited.

AGRICULTURAL prospects were never brighter at this time of the year in this country than they are now. Labor controversies throughout the country are being settled, and the trade situation in general is improving. The business outlook has a correspondingly cheerful hue to it.

NEAR Leavenworth, Kas., nearly an entire farm was gradually washed away by the Missouri river some years ago. Soon after the river began to deposit rich soil along the banks where the farm once was, and recently the owner went to the county clerk and had his farm, which was much larger than before, replaced on the tax record.

AN Iowa railroad manager has been detected working a scheme to increase the income of his road for carrying the United States mails. The plan was to systematically load the mails with bogus matter and so increase the weight to an extent that would have augmented the road's compensation for a period of four years by about \$30,000.

A METZOWN (Pa.) mail carrier accomplished the feat of swallowing twelve dozen oysters in two minutes and three seconds on a wager that he could do it inside of three minutes. His system rebelled, however, against the suddenly imposed load, with the result that he will eat no more oysters, and the mail route that knew his active feat will know them no more.

THE latest scheme for direct railway communication between England and France provides for a double water-tight tube, capable of containing two railway tracks, and sunk about forty feet in the channel. The engineer proposing this method proposes to utilize the displacement and buoyancy of the tube to give the necessary support, piles being driven into the channel, to which the tube would be chained to prevent it rising.

It is proposed in Florida to annex the western part of the state to Alabama. The territory involved lies along the north shore of the gulf of Mexico, and its annexation would extend Alabama to the gulf and give it 200 more miles of coast. The people of western Florida are more closely allied socially and politically to the Alabama than to the people of the peninsula, and the change, it is believed, would be advantageous to both states.

THE Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Co. has set an example that might well be followed by other companies throughout the country. It has issued a circular to employees which says: "This company will not, under any circumstances, employ or retain in its service persons who are addicted to the use of intoxicating liquors. All employees are warned that intoxication, on or off duty, will result in prompt dismissal without hope of re-employment by this company, and no person known to frequent drinking places will be allowed to remain in the service."

THE uses of paper appear to be constantly augmenting. In one form or another it has been adapted to the manufacture of a variety of utensils for household use and applied to mechanical and industrial products with equally good results. As a substitute for metal and wood it has in many instances proved superior to any of these. Gas wheels and pulleys are almost entirely made from it, but, more surprising still, it is now being used for belting. Many of the big paper mills have turned out paper belts that are considered superior to either gum or leather.

In the case of Sarah Inrath, an Irish claimant to a share in the A. T. Stewart estate, Judge Wallace, of the United States circuit court, has decided that one non-resident alien can not inherit American property by descent through another non-resident alien. The decision, however, is based on the absence of a New York statute, superseding the common law, and consequently it does not apply in states where such statutes exist. It is not probable, however, that many of the states have legislated to protect non-resident heirs of non-resident aliens against resident heirs.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Compiled from Various Sources.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

EX-MINISTER TAYLOR died at San Diego, Cal., on the 21st.

On the 23d Mr. Gladstone left London for Havard. A large crowd assembled at the station to witness his departure, and cheered heartily as the train started.

CHERSEA electors by thousands are signing a memorial addressed to Sir Charles Dilke, urging him to resume public life. Not alone liberals, who might naturally be expected to support their former idol, but surprisingly large number of conservatives are among the signers of the address.

On the 23d Sir Robert Nicholas Fowler, conservative member of parliament for the University of London, died from heart disease.

HON. A. C. PHILLIPS, the founder of Sioux Falls, S. D., died suddenly, on the night of the 21st, at the residence of his brother-in-law, Dr. J. M. Strables, of Dubuque, Ia.

The liabilities of the Hill Shoe Co., which failed recently at Memphis, Tenn., are now given as \$600,000, instead of \$460,000, the figure at which they were at first placed. The assets delivered the assignee by the terms of the instrument amount to about \$300,000.

COMMISSIONER RADM of the pension bureau, on the 23d, approved and signed a pension certificate in favor of John G. Hildt, formerly of company K, First Michigan volunteer infantry, for \$16,500. This pension is for a gunshot wound in the right arm, causing amputation of the same, and resulting in nervous prostration and insanity, and dates from 1862, for amounts varying from \$25 to \$75 per month.

On the 23d a bronze monument to the Andrews sisters was erected in the National cemetery at Chattanooga, Tenn., and the unveiling ceremonies set for the 30th.

The king of Siam has granted a pension of \$300 yearly, for a period of fourteen years, for the education of the three children of D. E. Bradley, an interpreter in his service recently deceased.

At a meeting in Detroit, on the 23d, the election of Rev. Philip Brooks as bishop of Massachusetts was unanimously affirmed by the standing committee of the diocese of Michigan.

At Lonscoring, Md., John McMillan, aged 13 years, was handling a revolver, on the 23d, which had carelessly been placed on a window at his home, when the weapon went off, killing him instantly.

CRIMES AND CASUALTIES.

On the night of the 18th Jacksonville, Fla., was visited by a destructive conflagration.

On the 19th, by a powder explosion near New Philadelphia, O., John Groff was killed and his brother Edward fatally injured.

The report is confirmed that Nat Whittle, a miner of the Big Canyon, Ariz., has been killed by Indians. The Indians were in ambush close by his house, and shot him twice through the body. The Indians are said to have headed east toward New Mexico.

On the 21st the blacksmith and machine shops of the New York Central railroad at West Albany were destroyed by an incendiary fire. Much valuable machinery was lost. About 1,000 men were thrown out of employment.

On the 21st a terrific storm passed over the city of Paris, causing considerable damage and creating much alarm. A huge water-pot formed in the Champs Elysee, traversed the Place de la Concorde and burst in the Jardin des Tuilleries, uprooting trees, destroying awnings, flooding beds and washing away pathways. A thunderbolt fell in the Esplanade des Invalides, but there was no loss of life.

At St. Marys, O., on the 21st, during a terrible storm the wind capsize a boat in the middle of the reservoir, and it is thought that half a dozen lives were lost.

On the 23d a large new tubular boiler in the Columbus (O.) Buggy Co.'s building exploded, blowing out one of its heads. Thomas Montgomery, a fireman, standing in front of the boiler, was enveloped in steam and literally boiled alive. Another fireman was grazed by scalding steam.

At Luntwit, Wales, on the 23d, ten men were killed and a number injured by an explosion in a colliery.

At Monte Carlo, on the 21st, a banker of Munich, named Speckart, committed suicide because of heavy gambling losses. Six suicides have occurred at Monte Carlo since May 1.

BLUFFED JAMES was arrested at Martinsville, Ind., on the 23d, and heavily fined for using dynamite to kill fish in White river. Officers are searching for others charged with the same offense.

JUNE 22 has been set by the Meade county (S. D.) court as the date for trying the Culbertson brothers, Jouis, Marvin and Nettleton, the five men indicted for the murder of the friendly Indian Few Talls during the late trouble.

On the 23d E. H. Duncan, of Washington, D. C., who has been on the charge of having attempted to murder his wife near Bettws-y-Coed, in Wales, recently, was taken into court at Carnarvon. The prisoner looked haggard and dejected. Owing to the inability of his wife to be present, Duncan was remanded for one week.

ILLINOIS STATE NEWS.

New Illinois Attorneys.

The examining committee of the supreme court, consisting of Senators Harvey Higgs, of Pittsfield; A. A. Leeper, of Virginia, and Representative Chas. Allen, of Hoopston, the other day examined the large number of applicants for admission to the bar. The following are recommended for admission:

James E. Balthasar, Quincy; John H. Chudwick, Bloomington; Wm. T. Church, Springfield; Harvey P. Coffey, Arcola; Frederick M. Hobbit, Lincoln; E. Kofke, Carlinville; Ephraim H. Knowlton, Bloomington; George M. Lewis, Mount Vernon; Alfred B. Miller, Lincoln; Edgar Lee Masters, Lewistown; Elmer E. Parker, Springfield; Logan A. Rogers, Peoria; Daniel J. Staley, LaMoine; L. Smith, Taylorville; Joseph Sterling, Bloomington; James H. Shaw, Bloomington; Joseph J. Thompson, Bloomington; Norman Triplett, Perry; Thomas J. Tabbot, Chicago; James Turner, Vandalia; George H. Wilson, Quincy; William S. Winter, Lewistown; Charles W. Wiedemann, Bloomington; John C. Wilson, Bloomington; Thomas Willis, Union; Stanton; George B. Watkins, Petersburg.

The fourteenth annual meeting of the State Congregational association was held at Decatur. The next meeting will be held at Rockford. Among the resolutions were the following:

Resolved, That this association deprecates and protests against every such usurpation of the name of the church, and that it will support any effort to remove from New Orleans a corrupt jury and murderers.

Resolved, That while commending the action of the mayor of Chicago in the enforcement of the law as respects gambling we most earnestly ask him to honor the law by executing its exactness regarding the saloons.

Moline Flow Works. A rather crude story was published several weeks ago setting forth that a Boston syndicate had bought the great pulp industries and some other factories in Moline. Negotiations to that end were pending, but they have not been concluded. It is learned from the negotiating agent that a hitch has occurred in the proceedings, and that the purchase is likely to fail.

Spreading Over Into Hoosierdom. It is reported that John Cudahy, the big packer of Chicago, has bought for \$500,000 two sections of land adjoining the tract recently bought by Armour.

At the head of Lake Michigan, in Indiana, to be used for stock-yard purposes. It is believed that before many years all the big packing houses will be removed to the head of the lake.

Their Fifty-Fifth Anniversary. Philip Clark, aged 80, and his good old wife, Christina, aged 70, held quite an interesting party at their home in Chicago on the 23d, being the fifty-fifth anniversary of their marriage.

Twenty of Clinton's oldest citizens were guests at the dinner. Mr. Clark is a veteran of the Black Hawk war, having served in the same company with Abraham Lincoln.

Verdict Against Culver. The arguments in the libel suit of John Culver against the Chicago Herald for \$25,000 damages for the publication of an article reflecting on his integrity as a Congressman were concluded a few days ago, and after instruction by the judge the jury returned a verdict in favor of the Herald.

The Illinois Medical Society.

The forty-first annual meeting of the Illinois State Medical society was held at Springfield, with about 100 members in attendance. Gov. Pifer delivered an address of welcome to the association, which was responded to by Dr. J. L. White, of Bloomington.

Auspicious Corner-Stone Laying.

The ceremonies attending the laying of the corner-stone of the Illinois Orphan Home were celebrated at Lincoln this morning.

Death of Mrs. L. A. Coleman. Mrs. Jennie B. Coleman, wife of L. A. Coleman, died at Springfield, aged 48 years. She was a daughter of the late Judge Stephen T. Logan, who was at one time the senior member of the law firm of Logan & Lincoln.

Army and Navy Doctors.

The Army and Navy Medical Association was held at Springfield. The next meeting of the association will be held in Chicago on the occasion of the unveiling of the Grant monument in October next.

Celebrated Her 103d Birthday.

Mrs. Sarah Rothchild, of Chicago, celebrated her 103d birthday a few days ago, at the residence of her daughter, Simon Kahn. Four generations congregated with her.

Columbus' Portrait.

The authentic portrait of Columbus, copied from a miniature and now existing in the Vatican, is to go to the Chicago World's fair.

Killed in a Runaway. Near Elyria, Mrs. Harrison Swan, wife of a farmer, was killed by being dashed against a corn-crib in a runaway accident.

Rates on Wool.

Rail and lake rates were made rates on wool from Chicago to the seaboard, which effectively shut out the all-rail lines.

THE ILLINOIS LEGISLATURE.

Summary of the Proceedings of the Senate at Assembly.

SENATE.—The Senate met at 10 o'clock, but was in session only a few minutes, and then adjourned. The House met at 10 o'clock, and Speaker Crafts on the chair, the members of the House proceeded to the reading of the journal.

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MONDAY, June 1st, is the date of the Judicial election.

If scarcity means anything American ought to be reckoned among the precious metals.

There is a difference of opinion as to young Raum's resignation between his father and Secretary Noble. The former says that he advertised it; the latter asserts that he demanded it. Whichever speaks the truth each one has condemned himself.

GERMAN women have always been remarkable for their good sound sense. A short time ago the ladies of Meredosia, East Prussia, published a card in the principal newspapers of the city requesting gentlemen not to remove their hats during cold weather in greeting them, but to acknowledge their bow with a military salute.

ALABAMA is now shipping from direct to England. The first shipment was made from Aniston to that destination by the Joubert Iron Company at a comparatively recent date. It is to be followed by other monthly shipments now under contract. If these shipments become frequent England may adopt the policy of prohibitory tariff.

SAYS a sensible and patriotic exchange: "What is wanted to improve a town is grit, push, snap, vim, energy, churches, academies, enterprise, harmony, cordiality, advertising, healthy location, talk about it, help to improve it; patronize its merchants, faith exhibited by good works, honest competition in business; help all patriotic citizens, and be one of them yourself. Always cheer on the man who goes in for improvements."

THE census bulletin on public debts shows that the debt of the United States has been reduced to \$915,962,112 or \$14.63 per capita. The Billion-Dollar Congress has therefore expended in two years more than the country now owes for the great war by about \$1.37 for each person. This means a good deal. It means that this extravagant Congress might have wiped out the whole National debt with the sums it appropriated for the favorites of the Republican party and had \$86,310,000 for other purposes.

THE farmers are going to be able to purchase binding twine this year much cheaper than they did last, the McKinley bill having reduced the tariff on it as well as that of sugar. The people hailed the reduction on sugar with delight and the farmer will no doubt be pleased that he can purchase binding twine nearer its real value. The protectionists are pointing with pride at these two reductions and the people are wondering that if it is good in these cases why it wouldn't be good to have the tax reduced on all necessities of life.—Ex.

THE Illinois state senate has passed the bill granting school suffrage to women. Now let the house pass the bill and the governor sign it. It will be a good thing for the schools. The mothers visit the schools and take more interest in the education of the children than the fathers. There are more women teachers in the schools than men, and on the whole the women will use their influence by their ballot to better the schools and increase the facilities for a better and higher education.

AMONG the wage reductions in the "protected industries" which have been made since the publication made by the New York Times, concerning such matters, there may be noted that of 10 per cent. in the New Haven rolling mill company; that of 14 per cent. in Solomon's leather factory at Newark, N. J.; that of 10 per cent. in the Middleton Gonn, plate factory; that of 15 cents a ton in the Lehigh, Pa., mines; together with a third reduction, within a period of two weeks, in the Paterson, N. J., silk mill. It is therefore plain that McKinleyism is getting its work in good shape.

NEXT Monday, June 1st, is the judicial election and you farmers who wish to have your interests guarded by time tried and true judges should leave your plows long enough to go to the polls and cast your ballots for men who will look after your welfare. These men are Judges Epler, Lacey and Herdman.

THE border line between this country and Canada is altogether too long to prevent smuggling, not only of goods, but also of people into this country. The heathen Chinese crosses it frequently and slips into this country in spite of the vigorous exclusion laws intended to keep him out. The steamship Oregon, which recently arrived at Portland, Me., from Liverpool, had only 15 passengers, having landed nearly 500 immigrants at Halifax, most of them coming into the United States by rail. They disembarked at Halifax to avoid the new immigration law, which makes necessary an examination on landing and a capitation tax of 50 cents.

The Fisherman's Protective Association.

Messrs. A. M. Smith, W. P. Swan, J. Swartz and J. Swan, of Beardstown, came down Monday afternoon for the purpose of holding a meeting and organizing under the above name to see if they cannot prevent the fish warden from taking up their nets and destroying them. They claim the fish warden has no right to take their nets under the laws of the state of Illinois, and that they want to put a stop to it. A meeting was called at Elmhurst's Hall and a large crowd attended. The meeting was opened by A. M. Smith, and W. P. Swan set forth the purpose of the meeting and read the constitution and by-laws. Mr. Swan is an able talker and stated the cause of the organization in a plain and straightforward manner. The following are the minutes of the meeting as taken by the secretary:

Meeting called to order at 8:15 by A. M. Smith, of Beardstown.

Reading of article of organization, and constitution and by-laws by W. P. Swan, of Beardstown.

The meeting was then addressed by Mr. Swan and the purpose set forth for which the meeting was called.

At a suggestion from the president that all local fishermen make short talks, D. Schroll and W. D. Watts then made a short address to the meeting.

The next thing in order was the election of officers for the organization which resulted in the following gentlemen being elected: D. Schroll, Pres.; Ed. Heaton, Vice-Pres.; D. Watts, Secy.; A. M. Waldo, Treas.

A motion was made and seconded that the president appoint three trustees. He appointed Jake Rentfrow, Dr. Neville and Mike Knowlen. All who wished to become a member were then allowed to come forward and place their names upon the list, and twenty six names were procured.

After the reading of a lengthy article on the fish law by the president the meeting adjourned to meet again Thursday evening, May 28.

A Mechanic's Wonder.

The Decoration Day issue of the Albany, N. Y., Telegram will be the most original, unique and popular paper ever presented to the American public. Nothing like it ever attempted by a newspaper in the nineteenth century. As a mechanical wonder and a military literary library there will be nothing to even compare with it issued in this country. It will be printed on red, white and blue paper and consist of 16 pages. If there is no agent in your town you can have the paper mailed to you at 5 cents a copy.

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TALMAGE'S SERMON.

A Discourse Touching the Creation of the World.

The Great Week's Work of Creating History Reviewed—Man, the Crowning Achievement of the Great Master Hand.

Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage delivered the following sermon at the Brooklyn Tabernacle touching the prevailing controversies concerning the inspiration of the Bible. His text was:

And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.—Genesis, i., 5.

The first Monday morning found swinging in space the piled up lumber of rocks and metal and soil and water from which the earth was to be built. God made up his mind to create a human family, and they must have a house to live in. But where? Not a roof, not a wall, not a door, not a room was fit for human occupancy. There is not a pile of black basalt in Yellowstone park or an extinct volcano in Honolulu so inappropriate for human residence as this globe at that early period. Moreover, there was no human architect to draw a plan, no quarryman to blast the foundation stones, no carpenter to hew out a beam, and no mason to trowel a wall. Poor prospect! But the time was coming when a being called man was to be constructed and he was to have a bride, and where he could find a homestead to which he could take her must have been a wonderment to angelic intelligence. There had been earthquakes enough, and volcanoes enough, and glacial sweeps, but earthquakes and volcanoes and glaciers destroy instead of build. A worse-looking world than this never swung. It was heaped up deformities, scarifications and monstrosities. The Bible says it was without form. That is, it was not round. It was not a globe, it was not octagonal, it was not a rhomboid. God never did take anyone in His councils, but if He had asked some angel about the attempt to turn this planet into a place for human residence, the angel would have said: "No, no, no, try some other world; the crevices of this earth are too deep; its crags are too appalling; its darkness is too thick."

But Monday morning came. I think it was a spring morning and about half past four o'clock. The first thing needed was light. It was not needed for God to work by, for He can work as well in the darkness. But light may be necessary, for angelic intelligences are to see in its full glory the process of world-building. But where are the candles, where are the candelabra, where is the chandelier? No, no, no, the sun will roll in the morning, for if the sun is already created, its light will not reach the earth in three days. No moon or stars can brighten this darkness. The moon and stars are not born yet, or if created, their light will not reach the earth for some time yet. But there is need of immediate light. Where shall it come from? Desiring to account for things in a natural way you say, and reasonably say, that heat and electricity throw out light independent of the sun, and that the metallic bases throw out light independent of the sun, and that alkalis throw out light independent of the sun. Oh, yes, all that is true, but I do not think that is the way light was created. The record makes me think that, standing over the earth that spring morning, God looked upon the darkness that pallid the heights of this world, and the chasms of it, and the awful reaches of it, and uttered, whether in the Hebrew of earth, or some language celestial I know not, that word which stands for the subtle, bright, glowing and all-pervading fluid, that word which thrills and garlands and lifts everything it touches, that word the full meaning of which all the chemists of the age have busied themselves in exploring, that word which suggests a force that flies one hundred and ninety thousand miles in a second and by undulations seven hundred and twenty-seven trillions in a second, that one word God utters—Light! And instantly the darkness began to shimmer, and the thick folds of blackness to lift, and there were sentinellations, and coruscations, and flashes, and a billowing up of resplendence, and in great sheets it spread out northward, southward, eastward, westward, and a radiance filled the atmosphere until it could hold no more of the brilliance. "And the evening and the morning were the first day."

Now it is Tuesday morning. A delicate and tremendous undertaking is set apart for this day. There was a great superabundance of water. God by the wave of His hand this morning gathers part of it in suspended reservoirs and part of it He orders down into the rivers and lakes and seas. How to hang whole Atlantic oceans. How to clasp without their spilling over, ever in right, right and at right times, was an undertaking that no one but Omnipotence would have dared. But God does it as easily as you would lift a glass of water. There He hoists two clouds each thirty miles wide and five miles high and balances them. Here He lifts the cirrus clouds and spreads them out in great white banks, as though it had been snowing in Heaven. And the cirrus parallel lines so straight you know an infinite geometer had drawn them. Clouds which are the army from

which thunder storms get their bayonets of fire. Clouds which are oceans on the wing. No wonder, long after this first Tuesday of creation week, Elihu confounded Job with the question: "Dost thou know the balancings of the clouds?" Half of this Tuesday work done, the other half is the work of compelling the waters to lie down in their destined places. So God picks up the solid ground and packs it up into five elevations which are the continents. With His fingers He makes deep depressions in them, and these are the lakes, while at the piling up of the Alleghenies and Sierra Nevadas and Pyrenees and Alps and Himalayas the rest of the waters start by the law of gravitation to the lower places, and in their run down-hill becomes the rivers, and then all around the earth these rivers come into convention and become oceans beneath, as the clouds are oceans above. And the evening and the morning were the second day.

Now it is Wednesday morning of the world's first week. Gardening and horticulture will be born to-day. How queer the hills look, and so unattractive they seem hardly worth having been made. But now all the surfaces are changing color. Something beautiful is creeping all over them. It has the color of emerald. Aye, it is herbage. Hail to the green grass, God's favorite color and God's favorite plant, as I judge from the fact that He makes a larger number of them than of any other thing else. But look yonder! Something starts out of the ground and goes higher up, higher and higher, and spreads out broad leaves. It is a palm tree. Yonder is another growth, and its leaves hang far down, and it is a willow tree. And yonder is a growth with mighty sweep of branches. And here they come—the pear and the apple, and the peach and the pomegranate, and groves and orchards and forests, their shadows and their fruit girdling the earth. We are pushing agriculture and fruit culture to great excellence in the nineteenth century, but we have nothing now to equal what I see on this first Wednesday of the world's existence. "And the evening and the morning were the third day."

Now it is Thursday morning of the world's first week. Nothing will be created to-day. The hours will be passed in scattering fogs and mists and vapors for every inch of fleshy surface. The atmosphere must be swept clean. Other worlds are to be in sight. This little ship of the earth has seemed to have all the ocean of immensity to itself. But tonight craft are to be hailed to-day on the high seas of space. First, the moon's white soil appears and does very well until the sun bursts upon the scene. The light that on the previous three mornings was struck from an especial word now gathers in the sun, moon and stars. One for the day and one for the night. It seemed as if, if they had all within twenty-four hours been created, Ah, this is a great time in the world's first week. The moon, the nearest neighbor to our earth, appears, her photograph to be taken in the nineteenth century when the telescope shall bring her within one hundred and twenty miles of New York. And the sun now appears, afterward to be found eight hundred and eighty-eight thousand miles in diameter, and put in astronomical position to be found to weigh nearly four hundred thousand times heavier than our earth; a mighty furnace, its heat kept up by meteors pouring into it as fuel, a world devouring other worlds with its jaws of flame. And the stars come out, those street lamps of Heaven, those new pearls, upon which God's fingers play the music of the spheres. How bright they look in this oriental evening! Constellations! Galaxies! What a twenty-four hours of this first week—solar, lunar, stellar appearances. All this, Thursday and the adjoining nights employed in pulling aside the curtain of vapor from these flushed or pale-faced worlds. Enough! "And the evening and the morning were the fourth day."

Now it is Friday morning in the first week of the world's existence. Water, but not a fin swimming in it, air, but not a wing flying in it. It is a silent world. Can it be that it was made only for vegetables? But, hark! There is a swirl and a splashing in all the four rivers of Pison, Gihon, Hiddekel and Euphrates. They are all a-swim with life, some darting like arrows through split crystal, and others quiet in dark pools like shadow. Everything, from spotted trout to behemoth; all colored, all shaped, the ancestors of finny tribes that shall by their wonders of construction confound the Agassizes, the Cuviers and the Linnæuses and the ichthyologists of the more than six thousand years following this Friday of the first week. And while I stand on the banks of these paradisaical rivers watching these finny tribes, I hear a whirr in the air and I look up and behold wings—wings of larks, robins, doves, eagles, flamingos, albatrosses, brown-throats. Captures of all color, blue as if dipped in the sea, fiery as if they had flown out of the sun's belts, golden as if they had taken their bath in buttercups. And while I am studying the colors, they begin to carol and chirp and coo and twitter and run up and down the scales of a music that they must have heard of Heaven's gates. Yes, I find them in Paradise on this first Friday afternoon of the world's existence. And I sit down on the bank of the Euphrates, and the murmur of the river, together with the chant of birds in the sky puts me into a state of somnolence. "And the evening and the morning were the fifth day."

Now it is Saturday morning of the world's first week and with this day the week closes. But oh, what a climacteric day. The air has its population and the water its population. Yet the land has not one inhabitant, but here they come, by the voice of God created!—Horses grander than those which in after time Job will describe as having neck clothed with thunder. Cattle enough to cover a thousand hills. Sheep shrouded by thousands of them for them the green pastures. Cattle superior to the Alderneys and Ayrshires and Devonshires of after times. Leopards so beautiful, we are glad they can not change their spots. Lyons without their fiercer and all the quadruped world so gentle, so sleek, so perfect. Look out how you treat this animal creation, whether they walk the earth or swim the waters, or fly the air. Do you not notice that God gave them the human reason? He made them like himself. But something is wanting in Paradise and the week is almost done. He is there to pluck the flowers of this Edenic lawn? Who is there to command these worlds of quadruped and fish and bird? For whom has God put back the curtain from the face of the sun and moon and stars? The world wants an emperor and an empress. It is Saturday afternoon. No one but the Lord Almighty can originate a human being. In the world where there are in the latter part of the nineteenth century over the billion and four hundred million people, a human being is not a curiosity. But how about the first human eye that was ever kindled; the first human ear that was ever opened, the first human heart that ever beat, the first human life ever constructed? That needed the origination of a God. He had no model to work by. What stupendous work for a Saturday afternoon? He must originate a style of human heart through which all the blood in the body must pass every three minutes. He must make that heart so strong that it can during each day life what would be equal to one hundred and twenty tons of weight, and it must be so arranged as to beat over thirty-six million times every year. About five hundred muscles must be strung in the right place, and at least two hundred and fifty bones constructed. Into this body must be put at least nine million nerves. Over three thousand perspiration pores must be provided for every inch of fleshy surface. The human voice must be so constructed that it shall be capable of producing seventeen trillion five hundred and ninety-two billion one hundred and eighty-six million four hundred thousand and four hundred and fifteen notes.

But all this the most insignificant part of the human being. The soul! Ah, the construction of that God Himself would not be equal to it. If he were any the less of a God, His understanding, His will, His memory, His conscience, His capacities of enjoyment or suffering, His immortality! What a work for a Saturday afternoon! Aye! Before night there were to be two such human and yet immortal beings constructed. "And the evening and the morning were the sixth day."

What do you think of that one week's work? I review it not for entertainment, but because I would have you join in David's Doxology: "Great and marvelous are Thy works, Lord God Almighty!" because I want you to know what a homestead our Father built for His children at the start, though sin has despoiled it; and because I want you to know how the world will look again when Christ shall have street lamps of Heaven, those new pearls, upon which God's fingers play the music of the spheres. How bright they look in this oriental evening! Constellations! Galaxies! What a twenty-four hours of this first week—solar, lunar, stellar appearances. All this, Thursday and the adjoining nights employed in pulling aside the curtain of vapor from these flushed or pale-faced worlds. Enough! "And the evening and the morning were the fourth day."

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A CHICAGO ROMANCE.

Chicago, the scene of a Real Romantic Sensation, with All the Essential Components, a Wealthy Nobleman, a Beautiful Woman, a Duel and a Mystery—The Affairs of Karl and Rose.

CHICAGO, May 25.—Chicago was the scene of a genuine romance yesterday with all the essential features—a wealthy nobleman, a beautiful woman, a duel and a mystery. Baron Rudolph Kalnoy, a member of the Duff theatrical company, she led the baron a doleful life both here and in other cities to which he followed her. She constantly kept before him the fact that she could never become his wife, as her heart was already given to one for whose sake she would shortly end her stage life. Kalnoy finally became convinced of the truth of this, and remained behind when the company left Chicago. Ten days ago, however, he made a flying trip to Louisville in one last effort to conquer the pretty actress. While there he seems to have met one of his numerous rivals, though not the successful one. Friday morning he returned to the Richelieu, having given up his original idea of following Miss Atherton to Louisville. The same day he met the man whom he had encountered in the fourth dining hall at the Richelieu restaurant, the two seeming to take a morbid interest in together drowning their mutual sorrow. A too free indulgence in wine ended in a quarrel in which the stranger was knocked down. Kalnoy claimed he insulted Miss Atherton and asked Mr. Carlson, of the Richelieu, if he would act as his second in the event of the stranger demanding a meeting.

Carlson declined to act in this capacity, and the baron was informed that all the details had been arranged, and that the meeting would take place at Jackson park at day-break yesterday morning. The weapons selected were rapiers.

At 4 o'clock yesterday morning the baron entered a waiting carriage and was immediately joined by his second. On arriving at Jackson park they found the opposite party. Favorable fighting ground being found, at 6:10 the adversaries faced each other, sword in hand, and bared to their shirts. A moment later the word was given, and the flash of the southerner commenced the attack, though with a frenzy which prevented skill. There were lightning passes in every fencing movement. The southerner at last made a supreme effort, his will, his memory, his conscience, His capacities of enjoyment or suffering, His immortality! What a work for a Saturday afternoon! Aye! Before night there were to be two such human and yet immortal beings constructed. "And the evening and the morning were the sixth day."

After a few moments of well executed swordplay, the baron was slain, and put in astronomical position to be found to weigh nearly four hundred thousand times heavier than our earth; a mighty furnace, its heat kept up by meteors pouring into it as fuel, a world devouring other worlds with its jaws of flame. And the stars come out, those street lamps of Heaven, those new pearls, upon which God's fingers play the music of the spheres. How bright they look in this oriental evening! Constellations! Galaxies! What a twenty-four hours of this first week—solar, lunar, stellar appearances. All this, Thursday and the adjoining nights employed in pulling aside the curtain of vapor from these flushed or pale-faced worlds. Enough! "And the evening and the morning were the fourth day."

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Baron Kalnoy was assisted to an adjoining knoll and his wound was hastily treated. After ascertaining that the result would not necessarily be fatal, the southerner and his friend left the field.

Every effort to identify this man has failed. With the exception of Kalnoy it appears to be unknown to all concerned. His appearance, however, leads to the belief that he is the son of a prominent citizen of Atlanta, Ga. He is known to have boarded the Cincinnati train on the "Big Four" which left Hyde Park station at 9:45, two hours after the termination of the combat.

Baron Kalnoy's exact whereabouts is kept secret, but unless he was able to go east last night he is still at the residence of the attending physician or of friends in Hyde Park.



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Thomas. want to. The money is yours, and the misery is yours; and until you are willing to believe, and spend the money for the relief of the other, they will stay so. John H. Foster, 1122 Brown Street, Philadelphia, says: "My wife is a little Scotch woman, thirty years of age and of a naturally delicate disposition. For five or six years past she has been suffering from Dyspepsia. She became so bad at last that she could not sit down to a meal but she had to vomit it up as soon as she had eaten. Two bottles of your August Flower were secured for her, after many doctors failed. She can now eat anything, and enjoy it; and as for Dyspepsia, she does not know that she ever had it."

Of course this vegetable can be and is grown as a second crop, after peas, radishes, early cabbage, early beets, beans, etc.—Popular Gardening.

POULTRY PICKINGS.

PULLERS that are hatched early and are kept growing will begin laying early.

Some ventilation is necessary, but in giving it good care must be taken to avoid direct draughts.

Humid foot is nearly always caused by having the roosts too high. The best remedy is to lower the roosts and use vaseline.

If well fed from the start ducks ought to be ready for market at ten weeks old, and at that age should average five pounds.

As the weather gets warmer more care is necessary to pick up the eggs regularly a day or two under a hen in hot weather will spoil the eggs.

A YARD is best for turkeys. While they should not be allowed a free range, at the same time they will not bear close confinement as well as other fowls.

Pheasants usually lay in June. Though not generally used, they make a very acceptable table fowl. Their noise is objectionable, but they are very ornamental.

Incubation chickens are far less liable to be infested with lice than those hatched under a hen if proper care is taken to keep them clean at the start.—St. Louis Republic.

THE CARE OF YOUNG TURKEYS.

The cure of young turkeys is difficult. Young turkeys are difficult to raise. My plan is to leave the young almost entirely to the care of the mother.

When the young are hatched, it is well to put them for a time into a lot where they can be watched for a few days.

It is a good plan to let them have a large lot in the day time, but at night they should be sheltered. Keep salt away from the young, as a few grains will kill them.

Young turkeys cannot be raised successfully by a hen, as they will walk too fast to let them have any care. A turkey will not walk 10 rods the first few days after the young are hatched, while a hen would walk that distance the first day.

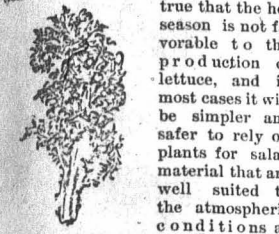
Last year I raised 21 turkeys by one mother bird. One of my turkeys was about 100 days last summer—Farm and Home.

THE FARMING WORLD.

SPLENDID SECOND CROP.

As an Autumn Salad No Other Variety Can Equal Endive.

We cannot easily have too much of really good salad material. While we might extend the season of cooling lettuce very considerably by successive plantings, and perhaps by shading during the summer, heat, or by the selection of semi-shady locations, yet it is true that the hot season is not favorable to the production of lettuce, and in most cases it will be simpler and safer to rely on plants for salad material that are well suited to the atmospheric conditions as



A LEAF OF DWARF GREEN.

found in mid-summer and autumn. Sometimes we wonder why endive, which stands foremost among our autumn salad plants, is not more appreciated by the average home gardener. It really makes a fine and wholesome salad, and while it is well-blanched it has a mild nutty flavor that is exceedingly gratifying to our taste.

Seed may be sown in June or July, and transplanted into rich, well-prepared soil, having rows about twelve



ENDIVE DWARF GREEN CURLED.

or fifteen inches apart, and plants ten to twelve inches apart in the rows. If planted too early it is liable to run up too soon.

When large enough for blanching, in September or October, the leaves of each plant are gathered up and tied around their middle with string or twine. In about three weeks they will be blanching enough for use. We have blanching them in less time, and very beautifully, by putting a large



WHITE BATAVIAN.

bottomless flower-pot over each plant. The sort most commonly grown in this country is the Dwarf Green Curled, shown in left figure of illustration. The single leaf also belongs to this variety. The figure at the right represents the broad-leaved White Batavia.

Of course this vegetable can be and is grown as a second crop, after peas, radishes, early cabbage, early beets, beans, etc.—Popular Gardening.

Love cannot lie, of course, but human experience shows that it can sometimes get transferred to another object.—Louisville Journal.

The young fellow in his mad struggle with an impatient mistress raises a terrible fuss.—Washington Star.

LAMBS can permanently beautify their complexion with Gish's Sulphur Soap. His Hair and Whisker Soap, 50 cents.

The only thing that a miser ever loses is his appetite—the cost of a meal scares it away.—Texas Siftings.

Don't flatter yourself that it can't get away from you. You have bottled your soul up as a—Elmira Gazette.

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They Don't Mean It.
There is a good deal of humming in the loudly-expressed aversion of the distinguished men to the attention of the public. They say they want to be let alone, but they do not believe that what they want at all. They want the very sorry if they received no attention at all from the public. The trouncing this attention is a trouncing it is disagreeable to know that a crowd of tourists is peeping at that a crowd garden wall or taking "snap shots" at you with a Kodak at the most inopportune moments; but you need not tell me that your pride is not gratified by the plaudits of the judicious.—The Critic.

—How wise and happy is the man who continually endeavors to be as holy in the day of life as he would be found in the day of death.—Thomas a Kempis.

I learn that I may eat; get that I wear; owe no man hate; envy no man's happiness; glad of other men's good; and content with my own.—Shakespeare.

Good Bye!
This is a sad word when taking leave of the beloved, but Webster's Stomach Bitters enables us to say it to an afflicted liver complaint, it is by no means sad, but decidedly jolly, for it is a great tonic alternative relieves from dyspepsia, indigestion, biliousness, headache, neuralgia, rheumatism and all the ailments which this remedy dispels.

The most polite man we know of is one who never permits himself to look over his own shoulder.—Boston Transcript.

Alas, who wish to aid Nature in her efforts to maintain good health should use Dr. John B. Sturges' Stomach Bitters. It is as pleasant as the wine, and far more strengthening. It is beneficial to every part, and every function of the body. It is truly the old man's need and the young man's friend. In cases of debility and weakness it acts like a charm.

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"The man who does not like the human race," said the tragedian, "is a man who is not a man."—Washington Star.

People borrow trouble because it is easy to get, and need not be paid back.—N. O. Picayune.

You hardly realize that it is medicine, when taking Carter's Little Liver Pills; they are very simple, and have no bad effects; all troubles from torpid liver are relieved by their use.

Love cannot lie, of course, but human experience shows that it can sometimes get transferred to another object.—Louisville Journal.

The young fellow in his mad struggle with an impatient mistress raises a terrible fuss.—Washington Star.

LAMBS can permanently beautify their complexion with Gish's Sulphur Soap. His Hair and Whisker Soap, 50 cents.

The only thing that a miser ever loses is his appetite—the cost of a meal scares it away.—Texas Siftings.

Don't flatter yourself that it can't get away from you. You have bottled your soul up as a—Elmira Gazette.

THE MARKETS.

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CATTLE—Pigs.....\$ 5.00
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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

Bushnell will build 100 new houses this season.

A horse and cart were stolen in Raritan recently.

Barry's graduating class had five girls and two boys.

Burlington has raised \$5,000 to be used in celebrating the 4th of July.

A Kansas woman avoids the expense of a nurse girl by larding her children out, after the manner of cattle.

Henry Judd, of Ind., a scissor-grinder who has tramped that country for thirty years, has died leaving a fortune of \$20,000.

An Indianapolis man swore in court that he did not know his wife's first name, though they had lived happily together for thirteen years.

A Galesburg hotel cook, who ran away from his home in Italy when nineteen years of age, has just recently fallen heir to a fortune of about \$170,000.

Pittsfield building association sold money recently at a premium of 28 to 36 cents premium. Their rate of interest is 90 cents a month per \$100, we believe.

A Pittsfield domestic gave a child sixteen months old to two spoonfuls of Redfern Vermifuge, mistaking it for Castoria. The child survived. Its stomach is probably lined with boiler iron.

When you hear the fire bell give a few taps about 10:30 at night next week don't be startled. It may only be the signal for the saloons to close. The council decided on such a plan.—Harry Adage.

A Chicago man, on a wager, swam the Mississippi river at Nauvoo on Sunday of last week, in thirty-seven minutes. In making the trip he was carried by the current down stream three and one-half miles. The fools are not all dead yet.

Two men who sold their votes at the Paris, Ill. city election on Tuesday, were arraigned before Judge Hunter and sentenced to ninety days in the county jail and disfranchised for five years, and also to pay the cost of the court in each case.

Publication of the Perry Transcript has been discontinued because it did not pay. The proprietors have bargained with Messrs Stevenson & Hudson to sell them the plant to be moved to Pittsfield, they to finish out the subscription of all those who have paid in advance for the Transcript.

The body of James McCreary, aged ninety years, was found in a slough below Quincy Thursday. Deceased left the home of his son-in-law at the Sherman House in Quincy two weeks before, since which diligent inquiry elicited no information of his whereabouts until his body was found.

An assessor at Bucktown, Ind., called at the house of an old woman whose furniture was valued at 50 cents. Under the law he had to fix the value at \$1, which would make her tax a fraction over one cent. Before leaving he discovered that the old dame was the owner of six dogs, on which she was assessed \$11.

A Quincy kid, whose papa no doubt thinks him a genius, originated a little scheme to connect a little machine he had made with the electric wire and thus secure motive power. The boy got the wire over the electric wire, and when he took it in his hand he was made to tumble four or five kinds of summersaults. His mamma endeavored to release the youngster, and she too was badly shocked.

A neighboring town boasts of a preacher and pastor, who being an eloquent speaker, is also a man of staid proportions. At one of his evening prayer meetings the services were disturbed by two young men who audibly scoffed at everything they saw and heard. Finally the pastor remonstrated with them on their behavior and asked them why they attended the meeting. "We came expecting to see miracles performed," impudently replied one of the rascals. Leaving the desk and walking down the aisle, the pastor seized one after the other by the collar and as they disappeared out of the door, with the imprint of his boot on their trousers, remarked, "We don't perform miracles here, but we cast out devils."

A very sad affair occurred near Gilead last Saturday, May 9, 1891. As Henry Fiedler and his hired hand were going out to work after dinner, they passed by a straw shed under which he kept his machinery, and where he found his little children at play. He cautioned them not to play under the shed as there might be fleas there, and went on. After going some distance, they looked back and discovered the shed on fire. Hastening at once to the scene of destruction, they found that one of the children was enveloped by the flames. The father rushed through the fire and brought out his child, but it was burned so badly that no medical aid could do it any good and died at ten o'clock Saturday night. Mr. Fiedler was himself badly burned in trying to save his dear child.—Calhoun Leader.

From Naples.

Frank Quintal was in St. Louis the past week.

Miss Minnie Lee has returned from Normal, Ill.

Mrs. Jack Chambers spent Saturday in Jacksonville.

Mrs. Lida Miller is visiting her relatives in Naples.

Wm. Reed, of Jacksonville, is the guest of Miss Nellie Mappin.

Wm. Frye, who is living in Jacksonville, spent Sunday with his mother.

Mrs. Clark, of Jacksonville, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Nellie Hatfield.

Rev. Ross will preach at the Christian church next Sunday morning and evening.

Wm. D. Watts spent last week visiting friends at Grafton, Ill. He returned home on the boat Sunday.

Mrs. Berkinmeager died at her home two miles east of town, last Tuesday evening and was buried in the Naples cemetery Thursday.

Rev. Ivan Agee filled his regular appointment at the Christian church last Sunday. Bro. Agee is a fine speaker and always has a large audience.

The Christian Sunday school will give a picnic in the grove north of town. Rev. Ross will be present and speak. All are invited to attend, bring their dinners and have a grand time. May 25. —PET.

FOSTER'S FORECAST.

Another Storm Wave Due to Leave the Pacific Coast To-day—Helps for Reading His Forecasts.

ST. JOSEPH, MO., May 21.—My last letter gave forecasts of a storm-wave due to cross the continent from the 15th to 19th, and the next will be due to leave the Pacific coast about the 21st, cross the Rocky-Allegheny valley from 22d to 24th and reach the Atlantic coast about the 25th.

This storm will more particularly affect the Southern States, causing very warm weather, along the gulf coast to the south-east of the low barometer or storm center, while northwest of the storm center, and following it, the weather will be unusually cool with frosts in the states that adjoin the British possessions.

The center of this storm wave will probably move by way of Salt Lake, Southern Colorado Indian territory, Tennessee and thence northeastward.

The reader should remember that the center of the storm-wave is the east severe part of it, while the principal forces are developed in its south-east and northwest quadrants.

The close observer will have noticed that since the first of April the weather has run to great extremes. The first of the month was warm, fine weather, on the 4th and 5th heavy snows fell throughout the Northeastern part of the United States, the snow being from two to four feet on the level in Connecticut and the upper Hudson river country; very warm again about the middle of the month with great electrical storms, then a period of dry weather followed by numerous, earth-quakes, snows and frosts, during the first week in May. These extremes show that the coming equinoxes of Saturn and Jupiter begin to influence the storms during the month of April.

I expect these extremes in the weather to gradually increase with each successive month. Following the storm of 21 to 22 the rain period will be due and we may expect an increase of rainfall. The rains, however, will not be evenly distributed but will be excessive in spots and deficient in other places, as is always the case in years of great meteorological disturbances. W. T. FOSTER.

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TIME TABLE.

WABASH LINE!

TRAINS CARRYING PASSENGERS LEAVE MEREDOSIA.

GOING EAST: 8:00 a. m. 6:30 a. m. 8:40 a. m. 10:00 a. m. 11:30 a. m. 1:00 p. m. 2:30 p. m. 4:00 p. m. 5:30 p. m. 7:00 p. m. 8:30 p. m. 10:00 p. m.

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Advertising rates made known upon application.

TERMS \$1.25 A YEAR, IN ADVANCE.

THE Corbett-Jackson prize fight was something like the tariff discussions in this country.

If there were no dissensions in the churches more progress would be made in christianizing the world.

THREE million four hundred and eighty-four thousand and eighty head of cattle were received at Chicago 1890.

The politicians of the country are awaking to the fact that the people mean business in demanding ballot reform.

"There's a crowd," yells both old parties as the young giant enters the arena to compete for the favors of Miss Columbia.

PHILADELPHIA may be a slow town in some respects but some of its bankers are on line with the fastest in the art of bank wrecking.

By the way, speaking of an eight hour day, we notice that farmers, railroad and newspaper men are working eighteen hours a day, as usual.

QUEEN VICTORIA celebrated her seventy-second birthday on the 24th of May, and the old lady gives no indication of breaking down or of abdicating.

FINANCIERS are a good deal like physician, if it is fair to judge by opinions expressed by them as to the effect upon this country of the heavy shipments of gold to Russia—each one differs from the other.

The wheat crop of Illinois in 1890 amounted to but 13,608,504 bushels, or not enough for seed and consumption by 2,002,400 bushels. Of this amount 1,580,903 bushels remained in the producers hands May 1, 1891.

A NEWSPAPER man will command Lieut. Peary's expedition, which hopes to reach the north pole on "skates" by way of Greenland. Willingness to put on "skates" is unfortunately a striking trait with too many pencil-pusher.

REPRESENTATIVE HARTER, of Ohio, has undertaken a big contract. He says he intends to retire from business and to devote his entire time to religion and politics. It will not be long before one of these will occupy all his time, and it requires no prophet to say which.

THIS is not the season when the big metropolitan newspapers devote lots of their valuable space to correcting the grammatical errors of their contemporaries. It has also been called the "stilly season." Perhaps there is a connection.

THE "stars" in the New Orleans tragedy having played their parts and having retired to their respective dressing rooms the "suses" are now holding the stage and doing the talking. Verily the American people make a patient forbearing and good natured audience.

THERE may have been a good many cranks at the convention which fathered the Peoples' party; but it cannot be denied that their platform contains a heap of sensible demands that are not obscure by the absurdities which naturally under the circumstances, crept into that document.

ACCORDING to the new law all women who marry soldiers of the late war after June 1st next will not be allowed any pensions upon their death. If any of them are intending to marry any of the "old vets" they should hurry up the proceedings or they will be barred from the hereafter receiving that little "dot" from Uncle Sam upon the death of their aged spouse.

Now that the legislature is in the humor and seems to be inclined to favor the establishment of homesopathic insane asylums, at the expense of a "mere pittance" \$400,000 to taxpayers, it might be well to establish an eclectic insane asylum, a botanic insane asylum, a water cure insane asylum and a faith cure insane asylum. The Salvation Army might also get an appropriation for an insane asylum. There is nothing like having plenty of insane asylums—the taxpayers will be craved before this legislature gets through with them—Illinois State Register.

THE very latest methods of theatrical advertising is a duel fought by two silly young men in Chicago, on account of an actress. It is hardly necessary to mention that neither of the combatants were killed.

A BILL has passed the house providing for the burial of indigent and friendless soldiers and sailors of the union at county expense. The bill was passed by a heavy majority. The measure provides that the expense of burial shall not exceed \$35, and that the grave be marked by an appropriate stone.

IT now turns out that the statement credited to Ex-Mayor Cregier, of Chicago, charging that the world's Fair would not be ready to open on the date set was a "fake." To start a story of that sort with no foundation except the imagination of the writer is a crime that should be punishable.

ALABAMA is now shipping iron direct to England. The first shipment was made from Anniston, to that destination by the Jenifer Iron Company at a comparatively recent date. It is to be followed by other monthly shipments now under contract. If these shipments become frequent England may adopt the policy of prohibitory tariff.

THE corner stone of the new courthouse, at Carrollton, in Greene county, will be laid June 10. Preparations are being made for a big day. The corner stone will be laid with masonic ceremonies by Grand Master John M. Pearson, of Godfrey. Every society in Greene county, of whatever name or order, is invited to attend in a body. Good speakers will be present and first-class music provided. The event will be one of interest to everybody in the county. With excursion rates on all railroads and the excellent program now being arranged by the committee, the inducements to attend will be irresistible. Judges Lacey, Eppler and Heidman have been invited to deliver addresses, and they are confidently expected to be present. The Carrollton and Kane cornet band have been employed, and a chorus of 200 or 300 school children will be drilled for the occasion.—Carrollton Patriot.

ONE of the curious signs of the times is that every politician who happens to own an acre of ground has suddenly developed an intense longing to be known as a farmer, and it is said that some of these individuals are actually spending much time standing bareheaded in the sunshine in order to tan their complexions into keeping with their professions; all of which is a flattering acknowledgement of the rapidly increasing power of the Farmer's organization in this country, but it is by no means follows that the farmers will be hoodwinked into nominating and electing to office these oily tongued professional farmers. The average farmer may not be so deep in book learning as the men who are trying to deceive him, but there is no discount on his knowledge of human nature.

Our Chronic Kicker.

We must solemnly kick against our city dads allowing an antiquated, hairless specimen of skin and bones, formerly called a horse to roam the streets at large and feeding on "black jacks."

We must earnestly kick against the action of some of our business men and associates filling our ears with witty (?) criticisms of their competitors goods and affairs which concerns us not. Our mind is ever overladen with woes of our own.

We must sensibly kick against the necessity of introducing some of our business men to their competitors. In the next world they may have to speak to each other. Why not form the habit now.

We dislike the necessity of kicking against the paintless, sideless, perpendicular, roofless condition of some of our houses near the depot. The gateway of our little village should have a better front. Paint is cheap, whitewash is cheaper, or a quarter invested in THE NEWS "For Sale" columns will bring a buyer.

We kick the hardest for the formation of a Business Men's Association for the purpose of advocating the interests of the town and the people at large. Our town now has \$3000 start; why not keep the ball rolling? Business men, citizens, pocket your pride and petty jealousies. Let's join hands all around and pull together. A long pull and a strong pull and the result will surprise you.

Best gasoline stoves on the market at Ray's.

THE

OLD

RELIABLE!

SOUTH SIDE GROCERY STORE

—DEALER IN—

Staple : and : Fancy : Groceries,
CANNED GOODS, Etc.

Highest Market Price Paid in Cash for Eggs.

Everything in stock is NEW and FRESH and will be sold at

BED : ROCK : PRICES.

ALSO A LARGE LINE OF

FRESH : AND : SALT : MEATS

ALWAYS ON HAND.

Highest Market Price Paid for Hides and Tallow.
GEO. GEISS.

WALTER A. WOOD

SELF-BINDERS

—AND—

REPAIRS,

FOR SALE BY

BURRUS :- BROS.

PENSIONS

THE DISABILITY BILL IS A LAW.
Soldiers Disabled Since the War are
Bottled. Dependent widows and parents
of army service are included. If you wish
your claim speedily and successfully prosecuted,
Address
JAMES TRINER,
Late Com. of Pensions, WASHINGTON, D. C.

WE ARE AGENTS

For the Garden City, Lyon and
King Hat which we sell under
this

GUARANTEE:

That, if above named hats don't give satisfaction in any
reasonable time we will cheerfully refund the money
paid for the same.

FINE STIFF HATS:

SEE OUR LINE OF

FINE :- SUMMER :- CLOTHING!

Coats and Vests as low as \$1. Better ones, \$1.50 to \$4.

Ladies' Swiss Ribbed Vests now at
9c; Red Table Cloth, fast colors,
25c a yd. Fast bl'k Lawns.

100 pairs ladies fine shoes will be
sold out at \$1.00 per pair.

New stock of Shoes just received to fit any
shaped foot and suit all pocket books.

BARGAINS IN GROCERIES.

4 lbs best green coffee for..... \$1.00
4 lbs best bulk roast coffee..... 1.00
4 lbs roast (1 package) Cordova..... 1.00
4 lbs roast (1 package) XXXX..... 1.00
25 lbs medium light brown sugar..... 1.00
10 lbs fancy raisins..... 1.00
3 lbs Imperial Tea..... 1.00
100 lbs granulated sugar..... 5.00
A genuine Old Government Java Coffee..... 35c per pound

Come and see the display, we can
and will save you money.

J. H. CARVER.

MRS. H. WEGEHOFF

—DEALER IN—

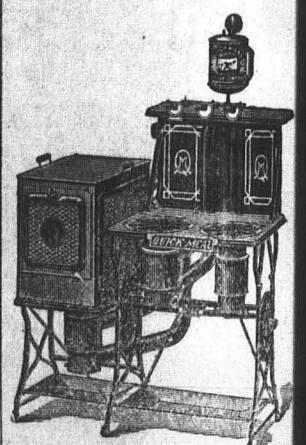
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STOVES,

AND TINWARE

FENCE WIRE, NAILS,

TIN and STEEL ROOFING

Guttering and Chain Pumps.



THE NEW PROCESS

GASOLINE STOVE

THE SIMPLEST AND

MOST ELEGANT STOVE

IN THE MARKET.

A trial of it will convince you and
you will have no other.

LOOMAN BROS. & BROCKHOUSE

HEADQUARTERS FOR

STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES!

QUEENSWARE, GLASSWARE,

DRY GOODS, NOTIONS, PATENT MEDICINES,

CIGARS, TOBACCO AND CONFECTIONARY.

FRESH BREAD AND CAKES!

Constantly kept on hand.

Highest Market Price paid for

COUNTRY :- PRODUCE.

Customers will find our stock complete and all sold
at moderate prices. Medicines warranted genu-
ine and of the best quality.

WHEN YOU GO TO.....

JACKSONVILLE

.....TO BUY.....

DRY GOODS

You will save **TIME** by going to the largest store, because you can see a
greater variety at once. You will save **MONEY** because the biggest store has
always the lowest prices, that's how it gets to be the biggest. You will save
TROUBLE and worry, because in the best store, conducted on modern prin-
ciples, there is only one price asked, one price taken. The largest and best
store in Jacksonville is

TRADE PALACE

on the East Side of the Public Square.

It will pay you every time to make your purchases there.

WM. PATERSON.

THIS IS FOR YOU!

PLEASE READ IT!

REMEMBER THAT JACKSONVILLE'S ONLY

ONE : PRICE : CLOTHIER

DOES AS HE ADVERTISES. NAMELY:

HONEST VALUES AND

ONE PRICE TO ALL.

Give us a trial and be convinced.

MEIER WEIL.

Cor. Square and North Main Street.

Guaranteed Cure for La Grippe.

We authorize our advertised drug-
gist to sell you Dr. King's New Discovery
for Consumption, coughs and colds,
upon this condition. If you are afflicted
with La Grippe and will use this
remedy according to directions, giving
it a fair trial, and experience no bene-
fit you may return the bottle and have
your money refunded. We make this
offer, because of the wonderful success
of Dr. King's New Discovery during
last season's epidemic. Have heard of
no case in which it failed. Try it.
Trial bottles free at Ray's drug store.
Large size 50c. and \$1.00.

Wanted.

Fifteen young ladies by the Jack-
sonville Underwear Co., as knitters
and finishers. Active young ladies
can make from four to ten dollars per
week.
JACKSONVILLE UNDERWEAR CO.
Jacksonville, Ill.

Notice.

I have sold my interest in notes and
accounts to Henry S. Hysinger, of the
firm of Hysinger & Graham, of Merce-
dosia, Ill., and the same will be found
with D. H. Lollis for collection.
Thanking my many friends for past
patronage for the last twenty-five
years. I am very truly,
GEO. W. GRAHAM.

See the Garden City hat, warranted
at Ray's.

The Mercedosia News.

PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY

When no time is specified, advertise-
ments and local notices will be published un-
til ordered discontinued.

MERCEDOSIA AND VICINITY.

—Lard, 8c.
—Oats, 50c.
—Corn 50c.
—Meal, 80c.
—Eggs 12c.
—Wheat 85c.
—Flour, \$1.25.
—Butter, 12c.
—Bran, 90c. cwt.
—Coarse Feed, \$1. cwt.
—Shipstuf, \$1. cwt.
—Hogs, \$4.00.
—Potatoes, \$1. to \$1.30.
—Sweet Potatoes, \$2.00.
—Mixed Feed, \$1. cwt.
—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
—Subscribe for THE NEWS.
New spring styles of wall paper a
Ray's.

—Harry Andre took in Jacksonville
Monday.
—Our town was infested by beggars
Monday.
—Harry Christianer and Pete Stoffe;
took in Springfield Sunday.
Get prices on fruit jars at
CARVER'S.

—Jno. Lutkemeyer and family visit-
ed relatives in Beardstown Sunday.
Lowest prices on watches, clocks
and jewelry at Ray's drug store.

—Ritcher has the foundation for his
new business house completed.
Fine granulated sugar \$5. per hun-
dred pounds at Ray's grocery store.

—Miss Ettie Bealey, of Arenzville, is
visiting with Joe Butcher and family.
Fencing from \$1.00 per hundred up-
wards at P. BAUGHN'S.

—A. J. Leslie, is putting in scales at
Spring Station for M. V. Martin this
week.

Stiff hats for \$1 each this week at
CARVER'S.

—Mrs. Lena Tash, of Beardstown, is
visiting her mother and family this
week.

—Brook Wight, of Versailles, made
a flying visit between trains Monday
morning.
Gold dollars for 90 cents at Ray's
drug and grocery store.

—Mrs. Dog Williams and sister
Mamie Knowlen, are visiting in
Springfield this week.
Springdale canned apples (3 lbs.) for
10c per can at Carver's.

—A. E. Ritcher made a trip to
Quincy Monday on business connected
with his new business house.
—A man by the name of McDaniel
fell from a car, from which he was
taking lumber, Tuesday, and sustain-
ed a severe bruise on the arm and hip.
When he fell he alighted on a pipe he
had in his pocket which bruised his
hip in bad shape. He was taken home
and we learn he is getting along nicely
at this writing.

—Mrs. Dr. Neville visited friends in
Jacksonville Monday.

—The steamer Dick Clyde went
down the river Tuesday.

—Aldo Zimmerman, spent the past
week in Keokuk and Quincy.

—D. H. Lollis and wife spent Sun-
day in Virginia the guest of friends.

—Mrs. Chas. Geiss, has returned
from Beardstown and will visit with
Geo. Geiss and family.

—Meir Weil, Jacksonville's clothier,
has supplied nearly all our workmen
and the boys with caps.

When in need of a first class sewing
machine call on our sewing machine
agent, J. C. Kratz.

—A new walk has been built, by
commissioner Apperson, in front of
C. C. Keener's property.

—Misses Nellie, Nettie, and Edith
Freeman, spent the day Friday visit-
ing with Mrs. Al. Brady at Bluffs.

J. H. Carver is selling good shoes
for ladies, sizes 3 to 6, for \$1 per pair.

—A Knights of Pythias lodge is be-
ing organized and instituted in our city
with a membership of about twenty-
five.

—The Quincy Journal gave the
wholesale and retail merchants of
that place a lengthy write up this
week.

Dr. Ray has added a nice line of
men's, women and childrens shoes in
all styles. It will pay you to get his
prices before buying.

—Jim Cody Jr., spent Sunday in Mt.
Sterling. Barring the mistake Jim
made in getting into the wrong church
he reports an excellent time.

It will pay you to inspect my stock
and prices before buying your lumber,
lime, sash, doors, paints and oils. I
can do you good. Dr. C. R. RAY.

—Prof. Decker and family returned
from a visit in Macomb and Augusta
last week. We learn he will return to
teach a course in the Normal at
Macomb.

Tiddledy Winks and all the new
popular games at Ray's.

—The Fishermen's Protective Ass'n.
met at Elstman's Hall again last
Thursday evening to transact business
and thoroughly institute their organi-
zation. Several members were taken
in.

For lumber at low prices go to
Ray's.

A Pontiac preacher announced as his
subject for last Sunday evening, "A
Grand Old Maid." A large congrega-
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Strictly pure white lead 6 cents per
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—John Hays, a Nebraska youth re-
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she received 470 from him. "Burn
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sort. If you want a woman to save
your love letters just let her think you
want them burned.

Twenty-five pounds of medium light
brown sugar for \$1.00 at CARVER'S.
New line of Lace caps at
CARVER'S.

—Alderman Gillespie, of Quincy,
"knocked out" the local editor of the
Quincy Journal last Friday for stating
in his paper that he attended a cock
fight. The editor claims the alder-
man struck him when his back was
turned, knocking him down and walk-
ing all over him.

—Many years practice has given C.
A. Snow & Co., Solicitors of Patents
at Washington D. C., unsurpassed
success in obtaining patents for all
classes of invention. They make a
specialty of rejected cases and have se-
cured allowance of many patents that
had been previously rejected. Their
advertisement in another column will
be of interest to inventors, patentees,
manufacturers and all who have to do
with patents.

Nice, new fresh stock of fancy and
staple groceries. Best goods at bot-
tom prices at Ray's drug and grocery
store.

—Did you ever pause to reflect that
you are a nuisance of the first water?
Do you know that the neighbor from
whom you borrowed this very paper
you are now reading is often inconven-
ienced by you? He subscribes and
pays for the paper for his own in-
dividual use and benefit; it is not done
for your pleasure, education or comfort.
He may not tell you so to your face,
because the class of men who subscribe
and pay for a paper are good, kind-
hearted fellows; but they do a great
deal of thinking just the same when
you ask him for his newspaper. Stop
borrowing and you will stop making a
nuisance of yourself.
Subscribe for THE NEWS.

—Eppler, Herdman and Lacy, got
there last Monday in great shape.

—Jacob Konrad, was killed by a
west bound Wabash train at Jackson-
ville Tuesday.

—Mrs. Eliza Otis and granddaugh-
ter, Gertrude, of Hudson Wis., are visit-
ing the family of A. J. Leslie.

—Fred Bond, editor of the Brown
County Herald, accompanied by Best
Glaze was in our city Tuesday evening.

—Don't neglect to subscribe liberally
when the soliciting committee call on
you for funds to be used in celebrating.

—Bud Hale and Jas. Anderson have
parted with their mustaches. If you
want to see something innocent look
them up.

—C. W. Hyde, finished assessing the
people of this precinct last Friday and
has returned his book to headquarters.
He has given general satisfaction to
all.

—Johnnie, get your gun the chaetoc-
nema pulcaria is abroad in the land.
The chaetocnema pulcaria is not a
new kind of yellow fever, but a little
black jumping beetle that is playing
havoc with the corn crop.

—An exchange says that the great-
est monstrosity in chemical nomen-
clature thus far produced is doubtless
quinolineparamethylenbenzenazo-
ximeparacarboxylic acid. Why not tell
the public what it is?

—Decoration day was appropriately
observed in this place by the G. A. R.
and citizens. A large crowd attended
and speeches and war songs were ren-
dered, after which they marched to
the different cemeteries and decorated
the graves of the old soldiers. Long
may the custom survive.

—Laughter is a positive sweetness
of life, but, like good coffee, it should
be well cleared of deleterious sub-
stances before use. Ill will and mal-
ice and the desire to wound are worse
than chloxy. Between a laugh and a
giggle there is the width of the hori-
zon. I could sit all day and listen to
the hearty and heartsome hal hal of a
lot of bright and jolly people, but
would rather be shot by a Winchester
rifle at short range than be forced to
stay within earshot of a couple of silly
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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

Burlington has raised \$5,000 to be used in celebrating the 4th of July. Arenville citizens are now agitating the erection of a new school house.

Galesburg begins the new municipal year with nineteen saloons licensed at \$1,000 apiece.

La Harpe is to have a new industry; a butter and cheese factory. All of the stock is subscribed.

Dr. Garner, of Clayton, has been arrested for malpractice. He is now under bonds to appear for trial at the Adams county criminal court.

Quincy is raising quite a breeze over the filthy and unsanitary condition of the workhouse, where prisoners are huddled together like in a Siberian prison fortress.

About eight years ago Henry Grues, of Quincy, was badly injured by being run over by a street car. Since that time the case has been in court and last week he was awarded \$4,000.

The president has appointed Capt. Michael Pigott, of Quincy, special commissioner to allot lands in severity to the Indians in Indian Territory. The appointment is a good one.

Dr. Henry, of La Harpe, has fallen heir to \$400,000 by the death of a brother in Ireland. He, his wife and two daughters are now on their way to take possession of the goods.

Macomb has been flooded with circulars from parties desiring to put on the market counterfeit notes. Luckily the papers of that city got onto the racket in time to thoroughly ventilate the scheme.

A number of the merchants of Rushville and other places favor closing their stores at 7 p. m. during the summer. Give the clerks the evening to spend as they like. Recreation does them good. They'll do more work next day. The merchant will die just as rich and die just as happy.—Winchester Standard.

The people in the neighborhood of Scott's Mill, Brown county, are excited over the mysterious disappearance of a eleven-year-old son of Thomas Black. Foul play is suspected. Fifty men dragged the creek and scoured the woods in search of the boy Friday and are still looking for him.

Dr. Gatling, the gun-maker has invented a new contrivance of death that is so terrible that warlike nations will stand on one foot and cogitate a long time before they decide whether to play foul ball or go into the regular orthodox killing business like the regular grim-visaged war call for.

The country is just now being flooded with circulars of so-called portrait companies, each person receiving being led to suppose that he or she has been selected as the recipient of a portrait free in order to influence neighbors. Many reply, but none receive the enlarged copies of photographs sent on unless they respond to a supplemental circular offering a frame at a fancy price. The moral is: Don't bite at speciously worded circulars or advertisements offering to give something for nothing, or next to nothing; there is usually an expensive catch to them.—Ex.

Recently we printed a man's attempt to analyze a kiss. The subject was rather too much for him. Now the ladies are trying to tell how it feels. A lady friend of ours says the first time she was kissed she said she felt like a big tub of roses swimming in honey, cologne, nutmegs and cranberries. She also felt as if something was running through her nerves on feet of diamonds, escorted by angels, shaded by honeysuckles—and the whole spread with melted rainbows.—Ex.

The kicker was kicking as people expect a well-behaved kicker to do. There were very few things he didn't reject as faulty before he got through. The earth that revolves from the west to the east, he is often accustomed to say, would have numerous practical uses increased if it would whirl the opposite way. "There isn't a reason," he has often said, and he half-makes you think it is true, "why violets should not have come to us red and roses should not have been made blue." He will argument make until both your ears ache; you will think he is going from the spot, that each thing here below is a fearful mistake—and that he is the worst of the lot.

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From Naples.

Will Watts can handle a baby very gracefully.

Mrs. Janie Sumpter was visiting at Concord and Bluffs last week.

The W. C. T. U. gave a Gospel Temperance concert Sunday evening.

Henry Read and wife, of Bluffs, were visiting Grandma Foshee last week.

Misses Alice and Addie Swope, of Farris Ill., are visiting their sister, Mrs. Goldman.

Mrs. Clara Morse and children, of Washington Territory, are visiting parents and friends here.

Wm. D. Watts, Wm. Williams, Misses Gertrude Elvidge, Tina Mappin and Eva Moore attended the Gideon picnic at Valley City, Friday and reported a grand time.

Miss Minnie Faulkner, who has been quiescent with consumption, was taken to Fairbury Ill., last Thursday morning. Her father accompanied her but returned home Sunday reporting her no better.

Elder Ross preached at the Christian church Sunday morning and evening, his subject for Sunday evening being "Is the Gospel True?" There was a large audience considering the weather looking so unfavorable. Mr. Ross takes for his motto, "Where the Bible speaks I will speak and where the Bible is silent I am silent."

Mr. Shaw, of Beardstown, and Mr. Garrison, of LaGrange, were here and organized a Fishermen's Protective Association with eighteen members last Friday, May 28th. Jessie Mappin, Pres.; Joseph Welch, Vice Pres.; W. D. Watts, Secy.; Dave Langley, Treas.; Dave Pancake, Jake Williams and George Edwards, trustees.

From Versailles.

Miss Loll McWane returned from Perry Saturday. Will Glaze, of St. Louis, is at home for a short time. The Versailles drum corps went to Hersman Saturday. Hon. Scott Wike was the guest of B. L. Rowland Tuesday.

Dr. J. W. Smith, of Mt. Sterling, was in town Monday night. L. A. Martin, of Chicago, spent several days at home this week.

Ed and Fred Stinson are clerking in Vaughn & Burress's grocery store. J. C. Kratz is selling first-class sewing machines for \$25.00 each. 65 and see them.

John McCabe and wife, of Rushville, were the guests of Dr. A. A. McCabe and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Clark and Mrs. A. J. Ross, of Rushville, are visiting relatives here the past two weeks.

The Barry murder trial, in Mt. Sterling this week, has taken quite a number of our citizens to that place.

W. S. Henry and William Fairchilds are both very feeble at present with very little hope of their recovery.

Rev. Gresham, of Chambersburg, preached at the Christian church in this place at 3 p. m. last Sunday.

We understand the Versailles boys will go to Bluffs Friday to engage in a game of base ball with the Bluffs club. Miss Annie McWane, who has accepted a position as agent for a Cincinnati firm, departed for Galesburg Monday morning.

Mrs. James McCormick, Misses Cad Glaze and Fannie McCormick attended memorial services in Mt. Sterling Saturday.

Versailles is making preparations to celebrate the Fourth in grand style this year. They have secured the beautiful grove west of T. J. Russell's residence and will have numerous ways of amusements to entertain the public.

Quite a number of the business men on Main street are improving their stores by a coat of paint, which adds very much to their appearance. Al Vingling and Bert Glaze are the painters. Dick DeViney has improved his already neat studio by having it nicely papered.

A thief in female costume arrested in New York the other day proved to be a man who had been wearing women's clothes for a number of years.

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One trunk will hold a woman, but it requires about half a dozen to hold what she wears.

The legislature now on its last legs will go down into state history as the body of broken promises.

The only evidence we have that there is going to be a big European war pretty soon is that all the crowned heads declare permanent peace is assured.

ENGLAND has been insulted. The British lion has had his tail twisted until he roared again. It was Portugal that operated on the tail and it was a very vigorous twist that was given.—Ex

The Prince of Wales won largely on Common in the English Derby, but lost again by playing Colonel North's Old Boots for place. The prince is also losing by playing his mother's old shoes.

ADAM and Eve had no wealth, few clothes, no diamonds, no education, no ancestry, didn't edit a paper, did not use Haviland china, and ate with their fingers, yet they were one of the first families.

A MAN in Arkansas has, after two years of litigation, been acquitted of the charge of killing his neighbor's pig. It has cost the state \$5,000, the accused \$6,000 and the time of over 100 witnesses. The pig was valued at \$3.50.

A GIRL in Kentucky has recovered five hundred dollars damage from a steamboat company for naming a boat after her without asking her permission, and they must rename the boat. She took offense at the marine item stating that "Kittie Marshall took the lower chute and ran her nose into a plantation."

SPRINGFIELD JOURNAL. "The governor of this state has received a very valuable little piece of paper. It bears the signature of J. N. Huston, Treasurer of the United States, and on its face were the tidy little figures, \$955,760.69. It was a draft on the sub-treasury at Chicago, on account of the direct tax, repaid by the United States to the State of Illinois. He was notified that the books of the War Department contained charges against the State of Illinois of \$18,807.94, for arms furnished the state prior to 1867, and that the government had withheld that amount from the direct tax, pending settlement of that claim."

CINCINNATI is treated to an unpleasant sensation. There is a state law providing that a marriage shall be solemnized only by a clergyman who is regularly in charge of a society or congregation. The existence of this law has been generally overlooked, and hundreds, if not thousands, of marriage ceremonies have been performed by clergymen who were not legally qualified at the time. Doubtless the legislature will apply a remedy and legalize these marriages; but it does not speak well for the officiating clergymen that they should have been ignorant of the law.

From the action taken in the State Senate Tuesday morning it appears that the Senate is committed to the idea that America is for Americans, and the action resulting from the agitation upon the school question, which occupies a conspicuous place in the campaign last fall, will probably result in no radical change in the school law. The house compulsory education bill came up as a special order this morning. After being read the second time an amendment was adopted striking out all after the enacting clauses and substituting therefor the republican measure as recommended by the senate education committee, which requires the teaching of reading, writing and United States history in English. The bill was then ordered to third reading, and made the special orders for Thursday morning.

"ALWAYS aim a little higher than the mark," says a philosopher. What! Kiss a girl on the nose! Never!

When wars cease and Africa is fully discovered the study of geography will not be very fascinating, and map-makers will not have to change their plates so frequently.

The New York Post has a standing offer to buy the entire tin plate output of our home manufacturers for the year of 1891. But even Niedringhaus, of St. Louis, has refused the offer. Maj. McKinley should stir him up.

On July 4 next, and thereafter, the flag of the United States will contain forty-four stars. Wyoming was not admitted until after July 4 of last year, and the United States law prescribes that the star for a new state shall be added to the flag the next Fourth following its admission.

In five Maine counties where the population is nearly all "native American," the Maine Bible society has found 10,413 families who confess that they never go to church, and 982 families that do not own a Bible. The country is certainly under obligations to the society for explaining why Maine votes the republican ticket and sends Tom Reed to congress.—Ex

A STORY is going the rounds to the effect that a married couple of Boston were caught kissing each other. It is hard to believe, but as they were arrested therefor and admitted the charge in court must be true. The judge was stupefied with astonishment that he dismissed the case; what the policeman was stupefied with is not stated, but if it was the regular Boston brand no wonder that the average visitor to that city of culture considers the streets so awfully crooked.—Alton Democrat.

The Ford Boys and Jesse James.

The Ford boys never killed Jesse James, but they did kill somebody that looked like Jesse, for the identification was complete. But it wasn't Jesse's corpse. In the James gang was a man named Sam Hill, whose resemblance to the outlaw chief was startling in every respect save that of courage. His wife was a daughter of Wm. Hill, of Morton, Ray county, Mo., and Mrs. Wm. Hill was the daughter of James Renick, of Milton, Well. Sam Hill left home a short time before the shooting, and his family to this day have never heard of him. The Ford boys killed him. If they had killed Jesse James they would in turn have been killed by some of the gang. But they weren't. And I can say positively that Jesse James is known by his family to be living on the Pacific coast.—Globe-Democrat.

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—Hogs, \$4.00.
—Potatoes, \$1, to \$1.30.
—Sweet Potatoes, \$2.00.
—Mixed Feed, \$1. cwt.
—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
—Geo. Burfus' little boy is still very sick.

Get prices on fruit jars at

—Aldo Zimmerman spent Sunday in Bowen.

New spring styles of wall paper at Ray's.

—Dr. Ray was on business at Jacksonville Monday.

Stiff hats for \$1 each this week at

—Miss Katie Carver entertained friends at her home last week.

Lowest prices on watches, clocks and jewelry at Ray's drug store.

—The river has been on the rise caused by the recent heavy rains.

Fine granulated sugar \$5. per hundred pounds at Ray's grocery store.

—W. H. Vandeventer, of Brown county, was a visitor to our city Monday.

Fencing from \$1.00 per hundred upwards at

—Dr. Thompson, of Jacksonville, was called here to attend Geo. Burfus' little boy Monday night.

Best gasoline stoves on the market at Ray's.

—Mrs. Mamie Thompson, of Beardstown, visited her mother, Mrs. Price, of this place, last week.

For lumber at low prices go to Ray's.

—C. E. Dickson, the gentlemanly traveling agent for A. J. Stillwell & Co., Hannibal, was in the city Tuesday.

Canned sweet potatoes 12c per can at Carver's.

—Geo. H. Palmer, of the Winchester Standard, has sustained the loss of his wife. Bro. Palmer has our sympathy.

Gold dollars for 90 cents at Ray's drug and grocery store.

—Miss Nellie Waldo left last week for Lyons, Kansas, to attend a wedding of a friend which takes place there June 20th.

Springdale canned apples (3 lbs.) for 10c per can at Carver's.

—Mrs. Annie L. Young, of Winchester, dropped dead last week while preparing supper. Heart trouble is supposed to have been the cause.

Strictly pure white lead 6 cents per pound at Ray's.

—The steamer Lotus, has been in Quincy for the past week undergoing repairs. She and her crew will be in Meredosia Saturday or Sunday.

—The Belle of Ottawa brought in two bales of brick Sunday for Ritcher and Lewinson and work will now be resumed on their buildings.

Tiddley Winks and all the new popular games at Ray's.

—A daring attempt to steal the body of P. T. Barnum, the dead showman, was made last Friday night. The ghouls were fired upon by the guards, but they escaped.

New line of Lace caps at

—Fred Bond, editor of the Brown County Herald, was here angling for some of the finny tribe last week. Fred was never out for a fisherman. It is safe to say.

See the Garden City hat, warranted at Carver's.

—The latest fly on the wheat has just been discovered. C. W. Hyde brought to town Monday morning some buds of wheat which were literally covered with a little green colored fly. They are close upon the grain in large numbers. Mr. Hyde says it is a very different species of fly that has ever been in this country before. It is to be hoped it will soon disappear and not do any great amount of damage.

—Geo. Stokes spent one day last week in Jacksonville.

—There will be an excursion from Quincy to this place June 26th.

—Elihu Vandeventer, of Versailles, was a Dosh visitor Monday evening.

Twelve pounds fancy raisins for \$1. at Looman Bros. & Brockhouse's.

—Miss Bessie Curry, of Mt. Sterling, is a guest of the Hedenberg household.

—Brick laying will be commenced on the new opera house and hotel next Monday.

—Ed Geiss and family returned from Riverside Sanitarium, Hamilton, Saturday evening.

—Miss Todd, who has been visiting at Dr. Frazer's, left on the Pike Tuesday for her home in Calhoun county.

—Mrs. C. C. Keener, of Meredosia, came up on the Pike Thursday for a brief visit with her mother.—Beardstown Enterprise.

Nice, new fresh stock of fancy and staple groceries. Best goods at bottom prices at Ray's drug and grocery store.

A full line of gloves, overalls, pants, shirts and jackets at very reasonable prices at Looman Bros. & Brockhouse's.

Dr. Ray has added a nice line of men's, women and childrens shoes in all styles. It will pay you to get his prices before buying.

—We have added to our exchange list this week the Rushville Republican, published by F. A. Warden & Son. It is a neat, newsy, 6-column quarto all printed at home and chock full of pure reading matter.

When in need of a first class sewing machine call on our sewing machine agent, J. C. Kratz.

—J. M. Ward, of Naples, placed us under obligations to him last week by presenting us with two boxes of the finest strawberries we have seen this season. One of them measured four inches in circumference.

One hundred pounds of fine granulated sugar for \$5.00 at Looman Bros. & Brockhouse's.

—Quite a number of young people attended the birthday party of Miss Ida Butler last Thursday night, and report a good time. The generous young men will please accept the thanks of Miss Ida for the beautiful present they presented her.

It will pay you to inspect my stock and prices before buying your lumber, lime, sash, doors, paints and oils. I can do you good. DR. C. R. RAY.

—We would call the attention of our readers to the double column advertisement, of J. Tomlinson, on the local page of this issue. Mr. Tomlinson's place of business, is on the north side of the square Jacksonville. When in that city and in need of anything in the clothing line call and see him and get his prices.

Do you need a corn planter or a cultivator? If so you should call at J. P. Baujan's and see his fine display. He has several different makes and will give you the lowest price.

—The Jacksonville Southeastern line favors us with a menu of their lunch service on the day trains between St. Louis and Chicago, also on evening trains between Peoria and Springfield. The management of this lunch service propose to keep it up to the high standard which it now merits. All the delicacies of the season are available on the trains at a very moderate price.

Pure Sisal Binder twine for sale at Looman Bros. & Brockhouse's.

—Many years practice has given C. A. Snow & Co., Solicitors of Patents at Washington D. C., unsurpassed success in obtaining patents for all classes of invention. They make a specialty of rejected cases and have secured allowance of many patents that had been previously rejected. Their advertisement in another column will be of interest to inventors, patentees, manufacturers and all who have to do with patents.

Twenty-five pounds of medium light brown sugar for \$1.00 at CARVER'S.

—The following fashion item is commended to the consideration of people with delirium tremens ideas of style: "Bonnets still continue to be studied in natural history, one of the latest being of fine open straw with a few up standing loops of black velvet at the back against which a lobster sprawls its long legs—or whatever you call them—twined lovingly around the crown. Serpents with realistic heads, twine their sinuous length about bonnet crowns, and toads, flashing with many jewels, nestle among innocent masses of cowslip blossoms."

J. C. Kratz is selling first-class sewing machines for \$25.00 each. Go and see them.

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TALMAGE'S SERMON.

The Burdens of Life and How They May be Carried.

Every Walk in Life Has Its Drawbacks, But All May be Endured If We Follow the Divine Injunction.

Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage delivered the following discourse in the new Brooklyn tabernacle on the subject of "The Burden Bearer," taking for his text:

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee.—Psalm lvi, 22.

David was here taking his own medicine. If anybody had on him heavy weights, David had them, and yet out of his own experience he advises you and me to the best way of getting rid of burdens. This is a world of burden-bearing. Coming into the house of prayer there may be no sign of sadness or sorrow, but when the man who is not a conflict with the soul that is not a struggle? And there is not a day of all the year when my text is not gloriously appropriate, and there is never an audience assembled on the planet where the text does not fit the occasion. "Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee." In the far east wells of water are so infrequent that when a man owns a well he has a property of great value, and sometimes battles have been fought for the possession of one well of water; but there is one well that every man owns, a deep well, a perennial well, a well of truth. If a man has not a burden on this shoulder, he has a burden on the other shoulder. The day I left home to look after myself and for myself, in the wagon my father sent driving, and he said that day something which has kept with me all my life: "De Witt, it is always safe to trust God. I have many a time come to a crisis of difficulty. You may know that, having been sick for fifteen years, it was no easy thing for me to support a family; but always God came to the rescue. I remember the time," he said, "when I didn't know what to do, and I saw a man on horseback riding up the farm lane, and he announced to me that I had been nominated for the most influential office in the gift of the people of the county; and to that office I was elected, and God in that way met all my wants, and I tell you it is always safe to trust Him." Oh, my friends, what we want is a practical religion! The religious people have it, and you can get it. I had a friend who entered the life of an evangelist. He gave up a lucrative business in Chicago, and he and his wife finally came to severe want. He told me that in the morning at prayers he said: "Oh Lord, then knowest I have not a barrel of food in the house! Help me, help us!" And he started out on the street, and a gentleman met him and said: "I have been thinking of you for a good while. You know I am a flour merchant; if you won't be offended, I would like to send you a barrel of flour." My friend cast his burden on the Lord, and the Lord sustained him. In the straits of Magellan, I have been told, there is place where whichever way a ship captain puts his ship he finds the wind against him, and there are men who have all their lives been running in the teeth of the wind, and which way to turn they do not know. Some of them may be here this morning, and I address them face to face, not perfunctorily but as one brother talks to another brother: "Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee."

1. There are a great many men who have business burdens. When we see a man harassed and perplexed and annoyed in business life, we are apt to say: "He ought not to have attempted to carry so much." Ah! that man may not be to blame at all. When a man plants a business he does not know what will be its outgrowth, what will be its roots, what will be its branches. There is many a man with keen foresight and large business faculty who has been flung into the dust by unforeseen circumstances springing upon him from ambush. When to buy, when to sell, when to trust, and to what amount of credit, what will be the effect of this new invention of machinery, what will be the effect of that loss of crop, and a thousand other questions perplex business men, until the hair is silvered and deep wrinkles are plowed in the cheek; and the stock goes up by the mountains and goes down by the valleys, and they are at their wits' ends, and stagger like drunken men.

There never has been a time when there have been such rivalries in business as now. It is hardware against hardware, books against books, chandlery against chandlery, imported articles. A thousand stores in combat with another thousand stores. Never such advantage of light, never such variety of assortment, never so much splendor of show-window, never so much adroitness of salesmen, never so much astuteness of advertising, and amid all the severities of rivalry in business how many men break down! Oh, the burden on the shoulder! Oh, the burden on the heart! You hear that it is avarice which drives these men of business through the street, and that is the commonly accepted idea. I do not believe a word of it. The vast multitude of these business men are torn on from other sides. They educate their children, to put the wing of protection over their household, to

have something left, so when they pass out of this life their wives and children will not have to go to the poor house—that is the way the transference of this energy in the great and store—the vast majority of that energy. Grip, Gouge and Co. do not do all the business. Some of us remember when the Central America was coming home from California, it was wrecked. President Arthur's father-in-law was the heroic captain of that ship, and went down with most of the passengers. Some of them got out into life-boats, but there was a young man returning from California who had a bag of gold in his hand, and as the last boat showed off from the ship was to go down, that man shouted to a comrade in the boat: "Here, John, catch this gold; there are three thousand dollars; take it home to your old mother, it will make her comfortable in her last days." Grip, Gouge & Co. do not do all the business of the world. Ah! my friend, do you say that God does not care anything about your worldly business? I tell you God knows more about it than you do. He knows all your perplexities; He knows what mortgages are about to foreclose; He knows what note you can not pay; He knows what unsalable goods you have on your shelves; He knows all your trials, from the day you took hold of the first vial-stick down to the sale of the last yard of ribbon, and the God who helped David to be king, and who helped Daniel to be prime minister, and who helped Havelock to be a soldier will help you to discharge all your duties. He is going to see you through. When losses come, and you find your property going, just take this book and put it down by your ledger, and read of the eternal possessions that will come to you through our Lord Jesus Christ. And when your business partner betrays you, just take the insulting letter, put it down on the table, put your Bible beside the insulting letter; and then read of the friendship of Him who "sticketh closer than a brother."

A young accountant in New York City got his accounts entangled. He knew he was honest, and yet he could not make his accounts come out right, and he toiled at them day and night until he was nearly frenzied. It seemed by those books that something had been misappropriated, and he knew before God he was honest. The last day came. He knew if he could not that day make his accounts come out right he would go into disgrace and go into banishment from the business establishment. He went over there very early, before there was anybody in the place, and he knelt down at the desk and said: "Oh, Lord, thou knowest I have tried to be honest, but I can not make these things come out right. Help me to-day—help me this morning!" The young man arose, and hardly knowing why he did so, opened a book that lay on the desk, and there was a leaf containing a line of figures which explained everything; and other words, he cast his burden upon the Lord, and the Lord sustained him. Young man, do you hear that? Oh, yes, God has a sympathy with anybody that is in any kind of toil! He knows how heavy is the load of bricks that the workman carries up the ladder of the wall; He hears the piteous of the miner down in the coal shaft; He knows how strong the tempest strikes the sailor at the masthead; He sees the factory girl among the spindles, and knows how her arms ache; He sees the sewing woman in the fourth story, and knows how few pence she gets for making a garment; and louder than all the din and roar of the city comes the voice of a sympathetic God: "Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee."

2. There are a great many who have a weight of persecution and abuse upon them. Sometimes society gets a grudge against a man. All his motives are misinterpreted and his good deeds are depreciated. With more virtue than some of the honored and applauded, he is only against rivalry and sharp criticism. When a man begins to go down, he has not only the force of natural gravitation, but a hundred hands to help him in the precipitation. Men are persecuted for their virtues and their successes. Germanicus said he had just as many bitter antagonists as he had adornments. The character sometimes is so lustroous that the weak eyes of envy and jealousy can not bear to look at it. It was their integrity that put Joseph in the pit, and Daniel in the den, and Shadrach in the fire, and sent John the evangelist to desolate Patmos, and Calvin to the castle of persecution, and John Huss to the stake, and Korah after Christ. Be sure if you have anything to do for church or state, and you attempt it with all your soul, the lightning will strike you.

The world always has had a cross between two thieves for the one who comes to save it. High and holy enterprise has always been followed by abuse. The great advantage of self-sacrifice has come to be business. The graceful gait of virtue is always followed by grimace and travesty. The sweetest strain of poetry ever written has come to ridiculous parody, and as long as there are virtue and righteousness in the world, there will be something for inquiry to grin at. All along the line of the ages, and in all lands, the cry has been: "Not this man, but Barabbas. Now, Barabbas was a robber." And what makes the persecutions of life worse is that they come from people who have helped, from those to whom you have loaned money or have started in

business, or whom you have rescued in some great crisis. I think it has been the history of all our lives—the most acrimonious assault has come from those whom you have benefited, whom you have helped, and that makes it all the harder to bear. A man is in danger of becoming cynical.

A clergyman of the Universalist church went into a neighborhood for the establishment of a church of his denomination, and he believed, and he was pointed to a certain house, and went there. He said to the man of the house: "I understand you are a Universalist; I want you to help me in the enterprise." "Well," said the man, "I am a Universalist, but I have a peculiar kind of a Universalism." "What is that?" asked the minister. "Well," replied the other, "I have been out in the world, and I have been cheated and slandered and out-gunned and almost killed. I believe in the universal damnation! The great danger is that men will become cynical; and given to believe, as David was tempted to say, that all men are liars. Oh, my friends, do not let that be the end of your souls! If you can not endure the little persecutions, how do you think our fathers endured great persecution? Motley, in his 'Dutch Republic,' tells us of Egmont the martyr, who, condemned to be beheaded, unfurnished his cell to be a soldier will help you to discharge all your duties. He is going to see you through. When losses come, and you find your property going, just take this book and put it down by your ledger, and read of the eternal possessions that will come to you through our Lord Jesus Christ. And when your business partner betrays you, just take the insulting letter, put it down on the table, put your Bible beside the insulting letter; and then read of the friendship of Him who "sticketh closer than a brother."

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3. There are others who carry great burdens of physical ailments. When sudden sickness has come, and fever, cholera and malignant fevers take the castle of life by storm, we appeal to God; but in these chronic ailments which wear out the strength day after day and week after week, and year after year, how little resorting to God for solace! Then people depend upon their tonics and their plasters and their cordials rather than upon heavenly stimulants. Oh, how few people there are comparatively well! Some of you, by dint of perseverance and care, have kept living to this age; but how you have had to go against physical ailments! Antidotes, without medical college and infirmary and apothecary shop, multiplied their years by hundreds, but he who has gone through the gauntlet of disease in our time, and has come to seventy years of age, is a hero worthy of a palm.

The world seems to be a great hospital, and you run against rheumatisms and consumptions and scrofulas and neuralgias and scores of old diseases baptized by new nomenclature. Oh, how heavy a burden sickness is! It takes the color out of the sky and the sparkle out of the wave and the sweetness out of the fruit and the luster out of the night. When the limbs ache, when the respiration is painful, when the mouth is hot, when the ears roar with the weight of the tongue, how it is a burden to the patient and cheerful and assistant! "Cast thy burden upon the Lord," does your head ache? His were the thorns. Do your feet hurt? His were the crushed of the spikes. Is your side painful? His was struck by the spear. Do you feel like giving way under a barrel of flour? His weakness gave way under a cross. While you in every possible way try to restore your physical vigor, you are to remember that more soothing than any anyone, and more vitalizing than any stimulant, and more strengthening than any tonic is the prescription of the text: "Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee." We hear a great deal of talk now about faith cure, and some people say it can not be done and it is a failure. Do not know but that the chief advance of the church is to be in that direction. Marvelous things come to me day by day which make me think that if the age of miracles is past, it is because the faith of miracles is past.

Another burden some have to carry is the burden of bereavement. Ah! that is the trouble that wears us out. If we lose our property, by additional industry, perhaps, we may bring back the estranged fortune; if we lose our good name, perhaps by reformation of morals we may achieve again reputation for integrity; but who will bring back the dear departed? Alas, for these empty cradles and these trunks of childhood toys that will never be used again. Alas, for the empty chair and the silence in the halls that will never echo again to these familiar footsteps. "Alas! for the cry of widowhood and orphanage. What bitter Marahs in the wilderness, what cities of the dead; what long, black shadow from the wing of death; what eyes sunken with grief; what hand tremulous with bereavement, what instruments of music shut now because there are no fingers to play them! Aye, let the soul ride into the harbor of my text.

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to its foes; That soul, though all hail should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

Now, the grave is brighter than the ancient tomb, where the lights were perpetually kept burning. The scarred feet of Him who was "the resurrection and the life" are on the broken grave hillock, while the voices of angels ring down the sky at the coronation of another soul come home to glory.

—A Zulu belief is like a prophet of old—because a lie has not much on 'er.

A LIVELY SESSION.

The World's Fair Bill Causes the Life to be Bandied in the House—Personal Finance Threatened—Rate of the Measure Placed in the Hands of the Senate.

A Springfield special to the Globe-Democrat, under date of June 3, gave the following account of the scenes in the lower house of the legislature during the discussion of the World's fair bill.

The most exciting scenes, says the special, witnessed in the Illinois legislature since the memorable legislature of six years ago took place in the house to-day over the World's fair bill. The day's session ended in an exciting row, leaving the World's fair bill in a very critical condition. The entire day was spent in the consideration of the bill. A large number of amendments were offered.

One by Mr. Merritt was adopted providing that the secretary of the board of public works should have the right to call on the treasurer for the purpose of making the necessary disbursements.

The fight began when Mr. Springer made the middle of the afternoon, offered an amendment making the amount of the appropriation \$500,000 instead of \$1,000,000.

In opposition to this amendment Mr. Patton made a speech that electrified the house. "An appropriation of \$500,000," said he, "will disgrace this state before the world forever. He wanted an appropriation big enough to rebuke the niggardly spirit manifested by New York and some other eastern states. 'I would rather,' said he, 'while the multitudes are assembled in Chicago, be taken in a yacht or skiff five hundred yards from the shore of that beautiful Lake Michigan and be thrown overboard than have it said 'This man voted for \$500,000 for his state, and he is a niggard.'"

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THE MATURING BONDS.

Secretary Foster Still Considering the expediency of Extending the Four-and-a-half Per Cent. Bonds—The Interest on the East and the West in the Matter—Probability that, if Extended, it will be at the Two Per Cent. Rate.

WASHINGTON, June 9.—Secretary Foster said yesterday afternoon that he had not yet determined what to do about the 4½ per cent. bonds. The New York bankers insisted that if the bonds were extended at a lower rate of interest than 3 per cent. they would lose money. At the same time they admitted that the government was in a position to force them to take the bonds at whatever rate of interest it saw fit to offer.

Many offers were being received, he said, from western banks to take the bonds at any rate of interest the secretary of the treasury chose to fix, and "I have no doubt," said Secretary Foster, "that the western banks would extend their holdings of 4½ per cent. bonds without any interest."

The secretary here picked up a statement showing that 4½ per cent. bonds held by national banks to secure circulation and government deposits were distributed as follows: New England states, \$3,745,580; middle states, \$8,400,000; southern states, \$3,447,900; western states, \$13,784,900.

"The western banks," continued Secretary Foster, "receive as high as 8 to 10 per cent. for money while 6 per cent. is the ruling rate in the east. Western banks could perhaps better afford to have their holdings of 4½ per cent. bonds extended at 3 per cent. than eastern banks could at 2 per cent. interest. These latter banks, he said, 'argued that a rate of less than 3 per cent. would reduce the bonds to par or a fraction below, and when they presented that point the bonds would go to the treasury for payment and would have to be redeemed, of course, at par.'"

"I think myself," said Secretary Foster, "that it would be well to have the bonds command a premium in the market."

"Then again," continued Secretary Foster, "these eastern banks offer to take all the 4½ per cent. bonds now held by national banks—some \$25,000,000—and increase their circulation to that extent. This is a consideration that is not overlooked, especially in view of the heavy export of gold to Europe, which of course reduces the circulation considerably."

It was gathered from all that Secretary Foster said, that if the western banks would take all the 4½ per cent. bonds at 1 or 1½ per cent. he would let them have them; if not, rather than let the eastern banks to take all the 4½ per cent. bonds, he was inclined to extend them at that rate, provided they would take them all, and increase their circulation to the amount of 4½ per cent. bonds held by other banks, about \$25,000,000.

PHILADELPHIA FINANCES.
The Government Will Allow Free Facility for Obtaining the Full Information with Regard to the Affairs of the Keystone Bank.

WASHINGTON, June 9.—Comptroller Lacey joined Secretary Foster at the White House yesterday, and they talked over with the president as some length the financial condition of Philadelphia and recent developments as brought out by the investigation by the city council. As a result of this conference Secretary Foster gave to the press last night the following statement:

"In response to the letter of Mayor Street of Philadelphia, addressed to the president, Comptroller of the Currency Lacey will furnish all the correspondence and statement governing his action relating to the Keystone national bank. The further examination of the affairs of the bank will be continued as requested, subject to the approval of the United States district attorney of Philadelphia."

"If additional information is desired as to the action of the comptroller, it is probable that he will, subject to the opinion of the district attorney, appear before the council committee."

"In short, the national authorities are desirous of furnishing the fullest possible information, and will give all the facts connected with the Keystone national bank affair, so far as they have any knowledge."

IDLE INDIANS.
The Labor Element About Norfolk, Neb. Object to Indian Children Being Allowed to Work in the Sugar Plant.

WASHINGTON, June 9.—Some time ago the managers of the best sugar station at Norfolk, Neb., requested the commissioner of Indian affairs to allow the Indian children at the Genoa training school to pick the weeds from the beets, and generally make themselves useful. The commissioner heartily assented to the proposition and notified Superintendent Backus, of the training school at Genoa, to make the necessary arrangements and preparations to transport the children to Norfolk, where they had started. Before they had started, however, the citizens of Norfolk, principally the labor element, at a meeting held to take action in the matter, passed resolutions vigorously condemning the plan. This information was communicated to Commissioner Morgan, who thereupon notified Superintendent Backus to make further arrangements and allow the matter to be dropped.

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THE MARKETS.
NEW YORK, June 9, 1891.
CATTLE—Winter Steers..... 4 50 @ 6 10
SHEEP—Fancy Steers..... 3 50 @ 5 10
FLOUR—Winter Wheat..... 3 50 @ 5 10
HOGS—Common to Select..... 4 25 @ 4 55
SHEEP—Fair to Choice..... 3 75 @ 4 50
FLOUR—Patents..... 4 40 @ 5 20
OATS—Western Mixed..... 40 @ 55
PORK—New York..... 12 00 @ 12 50

ST. LOUIS.
COTTON—Middle..... 8 50 @ 8 75
SHEEPS—Fancy Steers..... 3 50 @ 5 10
HOGS—Common to Select..... 4 25 @ 4 55
SHEEP—Fair to Choice..... 3 75 @ 4 50
FLOUR—Patents..... 4 40 @ 5 20
OATS—Western Mixed..... 40 @ 55
PORK—New York..... 12 00 @ 12 50

CHICAGO.
CATTLE—Shipping Steers..... 3 50 @ 5 00
HOGS—All Grades..... 3 50 @ 4 40
SHEEP—No. 2 Red Steers..... 11 00 @ 12 00
OATS—No. 2..... 45 @ 50
CORN—No. 2..... 50 @ 55

NEW ORLEANS.
FLOUR—High Grade..... 4 75 @ 5 25
CORN—No. 2..... 50 @ 55
OATS—No. 2..... 45 @ 50
HAY—Choice..... 11 00 @ 12 00
PORK—New York..... 12 00 @ 12 50
BACON—Clear Rib..... 10 00 @ 11 00
COTTON—Middle..... 8 50 @ 8 75

LOUISVILLE.
WHEAT—No. 2 Red..... 1 00 @ 1 05
CORN—No. 2..... 50 @ 55
OATS—No. 2..... 45 @ 50
PORK—New York..... 12 00 @ 12 50
BACON—Clear Rib..... 10 00 @ 11 00
COTTON—Middle..... 8 50 @ 8 75

MEMPHIS.
WHEAT—No. 2 Red..... 1 00 @ 1 05
CORN—No. 2..... 50 @ 55
OATS—No. 2..... 45 @ 50
PORK—New York..... 12 00 @ 12 50
BACON—Clear Rib..... 10 00 @ 11 00
COTTON—Middle..... 8 50 @ 8 75

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CHINA AND JAPAN.

It is a belief among the Chinese that rice, vinegar and oil are sufficient sustenance for the human system.

JAPAN is visited by about 480 earthquakes every year, each of which shakes, on an average, 1,000 square miles of territory.

STRAIT SETTLEMENTS are unknown in China. They are purposely made crooked to confuse Satan, as the Chinese believe the devil travels in a straight line.

Humal ground being very scarce in Hong Kong colony, the government proposes to take up and urn Chinese unclaimed dead buried for five or six years.

NOTICE.—The Publishers of this paper hold themselves responsible for any views that may be advanced by correspondents. To insure insertion communications must reach us not later than Tuesday noon. Correspondence solicited.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

Thirteen business firms, of Mt. Sterling have agreed to close at 7 P. M.

A surgeon in Manchester, who has operated in 139 cases of cancer of the tongue, reports 119 recoveries and 20 deaths.

Wilbur Leese, who shot Sam Norman in Fulton County last August, has been arrested and is now in jail at Lewistown.

Out of five bushels of potatoes brought into Marceline, Mo., the other day, the smallest in the lot weighed two pounds.

A Delaware peach grower says it doesn't take a frost to kill the setting blossoms. A cold wind will do it as effectually.

A resident of New Moorefield, Ohio has a cat which has adopted an infant skunk and is attached to it as to her own kitten.

At Ten-Mile Run, N. J., a man sat down in a chair upon which was a newspaper. He read the newspaper was a cat. She bit him and now he is dying.

Two horses were broken into by a thief last Sunday morning at Monmouth. The thief was not caught but nothing of very great value was taken, except a gold watch.

At Kirkville, Mo., last week, Mr. Patrick Kelly, aged 64, married Miss Maggie Brown, aged 13 years. Mr. Kelly has grandchildren who are older than his new wife.

The Farmers' alliance of Pike county held a mass-meeting at Pittsfield one day last week. State Lecturer, A. J. Willette, Miss Lavina Roberts and others addressed the meeting.

On Thursday last, at Springfield, an electric wire fell on a horse, tearing a hole in one leg, and killing the animal instantly. Two electricians who tried to relieve the horse were knocked unconscious.

Jay Gould never knows what minute some crank may call him down for \$3,000,000 or plug him full of 38 calibre bullets. If it is not so with us. We never have that feeling of unrest about our millions.

The Lincoln, Ill., News says the police picked up eighteen lost children in one night in that town and kept them in the holdover until the next morning. They must have queer mothers in Lincoln.

A Hancock county farmer dug a well in his pasture and at the depth of 28 feet struck water. The stream very soon filled the well and for weeks since has been overflowing the top at the rate of 500 gallons a minute.

Chas. M. Lewis, of Quincy, formerly of Buffalo, N. Y., was arrested for bigamy, and pleaded guilty before a special Grand Jury Monday, May, 25th. He confessed after his arrest, but claimed he thought he could leave his wife and go to another state and marry again.

The late frost had no effect to speak of on the strawberry crop in southern Illinois, but it is feared that it may reduce the size of the boxes. Last year the bottoms were up to within 24 inches of the top, and it is feared the late cold snap may knock off the half inch this season.

An exchange remarks that it is not much wonder that the human race finds it up hill work to be decent and keep straight. The first man was a liar and a sneak, the first woman kept her company and tried into things that did not concern her, and the first born killed his brother. Our first parents were a tough lot, and it is hard to get it out of the blood.

As might have been expected, the shooting gallery has brought trouble, but came near causing a fatal accident. The business was conducted by a stranger named Theo. Brawl, in the little alley way between the saloon buildings of Siegle & Scollagen and Simon Finner. About 10 o'clock last night Brawl was handling his target gun just before closing for the night, and either by accident or otherwise the gun was discharged, sending the bullet through the frame building occupied by Finner and breaking the elegant looking glass back of his bar. A crowd of men was about the bar at the time, almost in front of the spot struck. Brawl was arrested and placed in the lock up and had a hearing next morning, when he was discharged.—Bary Adage.

The building of a new C. R. & Q. depot in Quincy is indefinitely postponed.

Mt. Sterling is liable to have a soda pop manufactory if her citizens will aid the enterprise in a financial way.

Keokuk will have no Fourth of July celebration this year as anticipated, but will give away to Burlington by request.

The bill appropriating \$1,000,000, for a state exhibit at the World's Fair passed the Illinois Senate by a vote of 36 to 11 yeas.

Nauvoo is agitating a bank establishment. It is singular that a city of such pretensions has not long since had such an institution.

An alleged expectant bridegroom in Kentucky claims that the grip affected the lady's mind, causing her to imagine that the twain were to be married.

The last two fools to go to law about five cents have turned up in Morris. Mr. Riggs was hauling corn and being short of wagons hired one from Mr. Rogers, which was small and carried two bushels less than the others. For this Riggs docked Rogers' man 5 cents, paying only \$1.45 for the load, while the others were paid \$1.50. Rogers sues for the 5 cents and Riggs will fight the suit before Squire Gifford.

Henry Kirkham, of Rushville, had his pockets picked at the state fair at Peoria last fall of a pocket-book containing a sum of money and notes that amounted to \$600. He received a neat express package last Tuesday containing his pocket-book and all the notes. The thief being unable to make use of them has sent them back; what money there was in the pocket book was missing. Mr. Kirkham is pleased to get the notes and says nothing about the money.—Rushville Republican.

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Is What the Jury Decided in the Barry Poisoning Case—A Full Account of the Case Given by our Special Reporter.

MR. STERLING Ill. June 15, 1891.—The special term of the Brown County circuit convened June 2, with Judge Marsh on the bench. The certified cases being continued, the case of Susan R. Knox and Lillie Barry, indicted for the murder of Chas. Barry, Jan. 26 or 27, was begun. The people were represented by A. Hendrick, states Attorney, and Hon. W. L. Vandeventer, and Hon. Jeff Orr, J. J. McDonald, Crawford and Munford, for the defendants. The special venire of 30 were examined and only three jurors secured. A venire for 60 jurors was ordered for Wednesday. The jury was completed from the order issued, and the case was presented to the jury by Mr. Vandeventer for the people in a very able manner, outlining that which the people expected to prove, and upon which they relied for a conviction. He was followed by Mr. Orr for the defendants, in a clear and forcible statement of the case and the proof which the defense would introduce to substantiate their innocence. The presentation of the case occupied the whole afternoon of Wednesday and court adjourned until Thursday morning. At the convening of court the people placed Wm. Stevenson, grandson of Mrs. Knox, on the stand. His testimony was only of a general character, pertaining principally to the sickness of Chas. Barry and his going for the doctors. Robert Sipes testified to being with Barry at the time of his taking sick; his action; desire to continue work; did not see him after he was taken to his bed until the day of his death; desire for a doctor; conduct of the defendants; going for a doctor and Barry's father. (This witness was working for Barry at the time of his demise.)

Cynthia Langdon was next examined. Testified to statements made to her by Mrs. Barry of the affection she had for other men. To promises Mrs. Knox made her if she would testify as she directed her, also to statements made to her by the defendants before their arrest. She was put through a cross-examination by Mr. Orr, but he failed to shake her testimony, although he

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NEW YORK has a hard time erecting a monument for anybody, but her twin sister, Brooklyn, erects monuments even to her living citizens.

AMOS CUMMINGS makes much crisp newspaper matter; but whether he can make Crisp Speaker of the house of Representatives remains to be seen.

THE head of the great Northern Pacific railway system is only forty years old. He began his railway career as a surveyor's rodman. Who would not be proud to live in a country where such progress is possible?

MR. BLAINE has got the W.C.T.U. after him, and he will probably find it more troublesome than the gout. The ladies object to his efforts for the introduction of American beer and whiskey into south and Central America.

REPRESENTATIVE McCREARY, of Kentucky, is strongly in favor of the election of President and Vice President and United States Senators by direct vote of the people, and so are about seven out of every ten men whose opinions are asked.

PENNINGTON, the airship inventor, now says that he will make his first extended trip on the Fourth of July. He doesn't say whether he will travel by rail or boat, so that it is fair to assume that he actually expects to go in his airship.

No really great movement ever languished for any great length of time for lack of a great leader, although one might suppose to the contrary when considering the performances of some of the long eared individuals who in the constant up and down of this country get a momentary notoriety.

The great city newspapers are, as usual at this season of the year, wasting much space in telling the farmers how to profitably run their farms. As reciprocity is the order of the day the farmers should devote some of their spare time, if they ever get such a commodity, to telling the editors of the big dailies how to run their papers. The advice in one case would be equally as valuable as in the other.

GEORGE M. ADAMS, grand secretary of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Illinois has published the statistics of the order for the year ending March 31, 1891. There were at that date 733 subordinate lodges at work in this state; increase of lodges during year, 25; members in good standing, 28,858; increase during the year, 2,597. Paid for relief of all kinds during the year, \$114,000.22. There are 204 Italian lodges, having a membership of 10,826.

FOR years it has been stated and repeated in the columns of presumably well informed newspapers that Sir John Macdonald was the only obstacle to the peaceful annexation of Canada to the United States. Now that Sir John is dead we shall watch with interest the movements of the annexationists both in Canada and the United States in order to ascertain how much truth there was in these oft repeated assertions.

SENATOR SHERMAN's proposed new residence in Washington will not be built until the Ohio legislature has decided upon his successor. Meanwhile the senator will devote his exclusive attention to fencing in that recently erected Ohio barn. Senator Sherman has a good memory and has not forgotten the part a new and elegant residence in Washington took in retiring the late Secretary Windom from the United States Senate, a few years ago.

THESE words of President Polk of the National Farmers Alliance are at this time suggestive: We are not making war on any political party, but simply teaching the people how to get relief as laid down on our platform. And for several months to come President Polk will take a hand personally in "teaching the people." There are to be a large mass meeting held in forty States this summer, besides a corps of speakers to be kept constantly at work addressing small meetings isolated communities. Whatever the outcome, this certainly looks like business.

BANKING on wind is becoming alarmingly common. It might be well to give several of this sort of bankers an opportunity to dance a jig on the same substance.

THE democratic Senators and the democratic editors are not in accord concerning the desirability of again making Mr. Cleveland the standard bearer of that party. If there is a single democratic Senator who champions the cause of Mr. Cleveland he is doing it so quietly that we have not heard of him, while nearly every democratic Senator has put himself on record as believing that Mr. Cleveland should not be nominated. Democratic editors, particularly those controlling country papers, which as a rule closely represent the opinions of their constituents, appear to think that Mr. Cleveland will, and should be nominated.

Crop Reports.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., June 15.—The weather-crop bulletin of the Illinois weather service co-operating with the United States signal service for the week ending June 12 shows that the temperature of the last seven days has been about the normal. Cloudy weather generally prevailed in the southern division and the extreme eastern counties of the central division of the state. The rainfall was generally above a reasonable average throughout the rest of the state with a few exceptions.

In the twenty-five counties included in this report wheat is ripening rapidly and looks well. The fly is doing some damage in Fulton county. The rains of the last week have greatly benefited the pastures and meadows, which were suffering from drought. The fruit crop is generally promising, although in one or two places, strawberries were damaged by the rain, and in Pope county apples are dropping badly in some orchards.

The corn prospects are reported favorable in every county. The cool weather retarded its growth somewhat, but the rain and the recent rise in temperature have given it a marked impulse. In this (Sangamon) county the wheat is ripening rapidly and the corn prospect is greatly improved.

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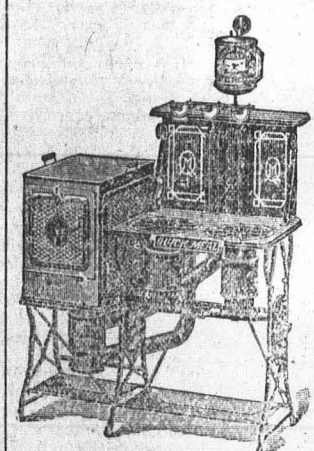
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—Sweet Potatoes, \$2.00.
—Mixed Feed, \$1. cwt.
—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
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—Frank Wilson spent Sunday in Griggsville.
—Mrs. Brackenbury is visiting in Beardstown.
—Harve Ham spent Sunday in Chambersburg.
—Harry Andre came in on the Pike Tuesday morning.
—Miss Nellie Turner visited friends in Naples over Sunday.
—Jno. Vanderlip made a business trip to Quincy Monday.
—T. K. Ball, of Arenzville, visited his family in this place Sunday.
—Mrs. Frank Reiman, and children, are visiting relatives at Virginia, Ill.
—Canned sweet potatoes 12c per can at Carver's.
—A party of young men from Mt. Sterling were taking in the city Sunday.
—Versailles advertises a balloon ascension and parachute jump for July 4th.
—Best gasoline stoves on the market at Ray's.
—Miss Hattie Bigford, of Chapin, was a guest at Mrs. Skinner's last week.
—Fencing from \$1.00 per hundred upwards at P. BAUMAN'S.
—Miss Lettie Crawford, was the guest of friends in Mt. Sterling last week.
—Fine granulated sugar \$5. per hundred pounds at Ray's grocery store.
—Wes. Steplun, wife and daughter, visited with friends in Deatur last week.
—Charlie James has taken a position as clerk for Looman Bros. & Brockhouse.
—Springdale canned apples (3 lbs.) for 10c per can at Carver's.
—Miss Cad Reylard, of Jacksonville, is a guest of her mother, Mrs. M. E. Reylard.
—D. Watts and sister, Mrs. Geo. Baker, spent Sunday in Naples with their parents.
—J. H. Carver is selling good shoes for ladies, sizes 3 to 6, for \$1 per pair.
—Last week we printed whole sheet posters for a grand 4th of July celebration at Versailles.
—Lowest prices on watches, clocks and jewelry at Ray's drug store.
—Geo. Plowman, of Omaha, Neb., is visiting his parents and other friends at this place.
—The Lotus has returned and the crew jolly Capt. Brown and his genial crew are again with us.
—New line of Lace caps at CARVER'S.
—Stone gutters are being put in on Main street which will be a great improvement over the old gutters.
—Stiff hats for \$1 each this week at CARVER'S.
—"The City of Quincy" is the name of a new Mississippi river steamer launched at Quincy last Thursday.
—New spring styles of wall paper at Ray's.
—J. H. Coffman and wife, of Augusta, were the guests of Prof. B. F. Decker and family three days of last week.
—Get prices on fruit jars at CARVER'S.
—When you have legal advertising bring it to THE NEWS. We can give you low rates and good satisfaction.
—See the Garden City hat, warranted, at Carver's.
—The latest fad is fishing by moonlight. You procure a pole, line and hook, and your best girl, and his to the banks of a stream. The girl does the fishing, while you hold her securely to keep her from falling into the water. No bait is necessary. It is said that girls will fish for hours and never complain of getting tired. They declare that it is just too lovely for anything.

—Jas. Brockhouse was at Jacksonville Tuesday.

—F. Einstein is putting in a new scale in front of his store.

—One hundred pounds of granulated sugar for \$4.75, CASH, at J. H. Carver's.

—Henry Geiss returned from an extended trip in Missouri in the interest of his house, Bradt & Shipman, De Kalb, Ill.

—Twenty-five pounds of medium light brown sugar for \$1.00 at Carver's.

—Mr. and Mrs. Murphy, who has been spending some time visiting Mrs. Crawford and other friends, returned home Saturday.

—When in need of a first class sewing machine call on our sewing machine agent, J. C. Kratz.

—The brick side and end walls on the buildings of Kitcher and Lewinson are under great headway and will be completed soon.

—The Versailles A. O. U. W. will give a basket picnic at the Locks today (Thursday.) Everybody is invited to attend and a grand time is guaranteed.

—J. C. Kratz is selling first-class sewing machines for \$25.00 each. Go and see them.

—Mrs. Alice Nichols left on Monday evening for Cincinnati, Ohio, where she expects to make her future home. We wish her and her husband success in their new location.

—Capt. Brown, of the steamer Lotus, is the recipient of a magnificent pair of field glasses, from S. P. Bartlett, State Fish Commissioner. They are an excellent pair.

—Dr. Ray has added a nice line of men's, women and childrens shoes in all styles. It will pay you to get his prices before buying.

—Jno. Pratt, A. M. Turner, Wm. Pay and Chas. Joice, of Jacksonville, F. M. Blair, Jas. Johnson, and Dan Smith, of Barry, and James Cree, of Greenville, are spending the week fishing up the lake. They are a lively crowd.

—The east wall of the hotel basement was forced down Monday. About one-third caved off and the rest is about 6 to 8 inches out of line. The sand thrown behind the wall was wet and too heavy, the mortar in the wall not being yet dry.

—The citizens residing in the north part of town were treated to a regular old-fashioned family racket a few evenings since. They say the air was blue in that locality for awhile. Such occurrences are a disgrace to any community and should not be tolerated.

—Haven't we a county law against cows running at large? If we have why don't the city council see that they are shut up? They have become a great nuisance at night lately. If the people who put bells on their cows were compelled to try to sleep in the end of the town where they feed, we imagine they would soon take them off.

—The News acknowledges the receipt of a handsome booklet from Gen'l. Passenger and Ticket Agent Chandler, of the Wabash, R. R. It gives full particulars of the meeting of the National Educational Association Convention at Toronto, Canada, July 14, 15, 16 and 17, 1891. The booklet is in the shape of a school house. The Wabash will sell round trip tickets at one fare, with \$2.00 added, for certificate of membership in the Association. Tickets on sale July 8th to 15th inclusive; good to return from July 14th to 20th inclusive, 1891.

—John Lohman, the tallest man in the state of Illinois, died last week at his farm in Fondulac township, after a brief sickness, aged 75 years. Mr. Lohman was raised in North Carolina, and "had to stand upon his toes to see the sun shine over the great hills there in the morning." This is what he used to tell inquisitive people who asked what made him so tall, he being six feet 9 inches in his stocking. The deceased had resided in Tazewell county many years and was well known by all.—Pekin Post.

—A genius has received a patent for his automatic milker. An eccentric, three inches in diameter, is attached to the cow's jaws. From this leads a wire connecting with elastic nipples on the udder, each of which is fitted with a motion. When the cow chews her cud, the eccentric revolves like a piston, creating suction in the nipple. The milk, as it is drawn, runs into a bucket suspended below. The invention will relieve the dairyman of much labor but it is certainly taking a mean advantage of a cow. So says an exchange. But suppose the cow at the proper milking time is not in chewing humor how can a fellow start her to chewing. Or will he have to stand and wait until she voluntarily goes to work.

—Quite a number took in the excursion to Nauvoo Tuesday via Wabash and Mississippi river steamer Josephine.

—J. H. Carver will sell you 100 pounds of granulated sugar for \$4.75, CASH.

—Mr. Smith a fisherman living on a cabin boat on the bay, sustains the loss of a daughter, aged about 14 years. She died last Friday of Catarrh of the stomach and was buried at the Oak-land cemetery Saturday.

—One day last week a little son of B. R. Wilday fell from a tree, broke his leg just below the hip joint. Dr. Nevill was called in and set the limb and the little fellow is getting along nicely.

—Do you need a riding plow or a hay rake? If so you should call at J. P. Bauman's and see his fine display. He has the finest line ever brought to Meredosia. Call and see him and get prices. He can and will save you money.

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—Many years practice has given C. A. Snow & Co., Solicitors of Patents at Washington D. C., unsurpassed success in obtaining patents for all classes of invention. They make a specialty of rejected cases and have secured allowance of many patents that had been previously rejected. Their advertisement in another column will be of interest to inventors, patentees, manufacturers and all who have to do with patents.

Obituary.

Death has again invaded the household of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bruce, and taken away another one of their most dearly beloved children—Earl. This is the second that has been called to that heavenly home by Him in His infinite wisdom in three months.

Little Earl! The pride, the joy, the idol of the household is no more! All that now remains of "papa's boy" and "mamma's baby" is the memory of a few short months spent so happily on earth.

Oh, the sorrow, the agony in the hearts of these sad parents. None, save God, can know their suffering, and He alone can bring to them comfort and consolation. May He not forget them in this, their hour of affliction. It is sad to part with one so dearly beloved, and in an hour like this sympathy is but poor consolation, but they have the sympathy of the entire community in their bereavement.

Earl departed this life last Sunday morning, aged about one year. The funeral afternoon.

One Vacant Chair.

The cold, icy finger of death has just entered the household of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Burrus, and snatched from the threshold that dearly beloved little boy. No more will that sweet and cheerful voice resound through that once happy home; neither will the silvery laugh again bring happiness to the lonely parents; never again will the tiny footfall be heard in the hallway, or the busy hand ever be seen during the happy hours at play, for He who gathers to Him the children of the Blessed Master has called the spirit of Freddy to that home above. Now the little voice is hushed and the tiny feet at rest, and the remains lie in that cold and silent tomb in the lonely city of the dead, where naught but the little grassy mound will bear evidence of the dear one whose form lies buried there.

He was taken sick some two weeks ago, and was very low almost all the time. Tuesday morning his suffering came to an end for death claimed the little sufferer and he is now with the angel band in that bright and glorious home.

Freddy died Tuesday morning at 3 o'clock, aged 1 year, 8 months and 8 days. The funeral will occur from the residence Thursday at 2 o'clock.

Notice.

I have sold my interest in notes and accounts to Henry S. Hysinger, of Meredosia Ill., and the same will be found with D. H. Lolla for collection. Thanking my many friends for past patronage for the last twenty-five years, I am very truly,
Geo. W. GRAHAM.

Notice.

Having bought the interest of Geo. W. Graham in the notes and accounts of Hysinger & Graham, of Meredosia Ill., I have placed the same in the hands of D. H. Lolla for collection. All parties knowing themselves indebted to said firm will save cost by making an early settlement.

H. S. HYSINGER.

Meredosia, Ill., June 2, 1891.

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IMPORTANT MEASURES

Passed at the Recent Session of the Illinois Legislature.

The Ballot-Reform Law—The Anti-Trust Bill—Labor Laws—The Appropriations Made—Miscellaneous Laws—Enacted.

Following is a resume of the most important work of the recent session of the legislature:

THE BALLOT-REFORM LAW

Under this law the candidate must receive a regular nomination by some political party which polled at least two per cent. of the vote at the last preceding election, or by nomination papers. In such cases the certificates of nomination are duly authenticated and given to the officer whose duty it is to print the ballots. Due provision is made for the independent candidates getting their names upon the tickets by the nomination papers. The ballots are to be printed in state and county election by the county clerk, and in city elections by the city clerk, and in township elections by the township clerk. The names of all the candidates of the different parties must be placed upon one ballot. Very early polls are provided for in case the officers whose duty it is to print the ballots are guilty of any fraud or irregularity. Due provision is made for voting members of the legislature. All of the ballots are distributed by the officer whose duty it is to print them, and a heavy penalty is imposed for any lack of duty in distributing them. No ballot can be obtained by anyone except by the officer who is legally printed and have the signature of the proper officer, and the ballots are given alone to the judges of election, who are to be sworn in by the officer, to account for every ballot received from the officer who has them printed, whether served, or delivered, or destroyed, or mutilated. A complete check is kept upon all the ballots. The voter can only obtain his ticket after entering the voting room, and from the judge of election. This ballot he takes and retires to an apartment which is in sight of the judges, and prepares it, returns and places it in the hands of the judge who deposits it in the ballot-box. At the head of each list of candidate there will be the party name, and the judge is to designate the political party. Every ticket will be almost identical with the Indiana ticket but the officer who prints the ballots printed will also have furnished full cards of instructions to the voters, which will give them ample information as to the manner of voting and the other requirements of the law. In each of the rooms in which the election is held there will be furnished small booths or apartments in which the voter must go and, secretly and alone, prepare his ballot. No one can be in the room while the voting takes place, except three or four persons who may be waiting their turn to enter a voting booth. No electioneering is allowed within a hundred feet of the polls, and no person is allowed within that space. One voting booth will be furnished to each city voter, and no other booth will be provided, and no one will be deprived of a vote. Due care is taken in the bill to provide that no person shall be allowed to read, so that his ticket may be made out and his vote remain a secret. The bill provides that no person shall be allowed to view two hours in which to vote, and no deduction from his wages is to be made on account of his absence for that length of time. The ballots will be prepared for six months, carefully folded and stored upon a string. The ballots will not be numbered, and it is thought it will be impossible to ascertain how an elector voted, even if the ballot should be inspected by the county and city clerk, and the county clerk at the time of opening the polls is changed to 7 o'clock, and the time of closing to 5 o'clock. It is provided in the bill that this law shall be printed in at least two papers in each county in the state, and it is thought that the people will easily become acquainted with its provisions.

ANTI-TRUST BILL

Preventing the organization of trusts as follows:

If any corporation organized under the laws of this or any other state for transacting any kind of business or any partnership or association of persons shall create, enter into, become a member of or party to any pool, trust, agreement, combination, confederation or understanding with any other corporation, or to regulate or fix the price of any article of merchandise or commodity, or shall enter into any pool, etc., to fix or limit the amount or quantity of any article, commodity or merchandise to be manufactured, mined, produced or sold in this state, such corporation, etc., shall be deemed guilty of a conspiracy to defraud, and be subject to indictment and punishment. It shall not be lawful for any corporation to issue or own certificates, or for any corporation, agent or officer or employees or the directors or stockholders, to enter into any combination, contract or agreement with any person or persons, corporation or corporations, or with any stockholder or director thereof, the purpose and effect of which shall be to place the management or control of such combination or combinations, or the manufactured product, in the hands of any trustee or trustees with the intent to limit or fix the price or lessen the production and sale of any article of commerce, use or consumption, or to prevent, restrict or diminish the manufacture or output of any such article. Penalty, \$500 to \$2,000 for first, \$1,000 to \$5,000 for second, \$5,000 to \$10,000 for third, and \$15,000 for every subsequent offense.

LABOR LAWS

Making it unlawful for any owner, agent or operator of any coal mine whose miners are paid upon the quantity of coal they mine to take any portion of the same by any device, without fully accounting for each, crediting the same to the miner. All coal shall be weighed in the pits before being dumped, and 2,000 pounds shall be a ton. A correct record shall be kept of each car, which shall be kept open for the inspection of all those interested. The weigher shall take an oath before some magistrate, which shall be conspicuously posted at the scales. The penalty for the first offense is \$25 to \$50; second offense, \$100 to \$200; third offense, imprisonment in the county jail not less than six months nor more than one year.

Making it unlawful after January, 1892, for any person to assume or attempt to discharge the duties of mine manager in mines

that have a daily output of twenty-five tons or more, unless he holds a certificate of competency as to his qualifications for the position from the state board of mine examiners.

Making the first Monday in September (Labor day) a legal holiday. Providing that whenever any association or union of workmen have adopted for their protection any label, trade mark or form of advertisement announcing that the goods to which such label or trade mark are manufactured by a member or members of such union, it shall be unlawful for any person or corporation to imitate or copy the same. Penalty—from three to twelve months in jail, \$100 to \$500 fine, or both. The union label may be filed for record in the office of the secretary of state; for the use or display of a union trade mark not authorized by the union, the penalty is three to twelve months, or \$100 to \$500, or both. The same penalty for the unauthorized use of the seal or name of an officer of the union; in all cases the offender shall stand committed until the fine and costs are paid.

Providing that every manufacturing, mining, quarrying, lumbering, mercantile, street, electric and elevated railway, steamboat, telegraph, telephone, and every other corporation, and every incorporated express and water company, shall pay weekly, to each and every employee engaged in its business, the weekly wages earned by such employee to within six days of the date of such payment; if the latter is absent at the date of payment he shall be entitled to his wages thereafter on demand; penalty not less than \$10 nor more than \$100 for each violation; act must be commenced within thirty days of violation. Providing that it shall be unlawful for any person engaged in any mining or manufacturing business in this state to keep a truck store, or any store, shop or scheme for the furnishing of supplies, tools, clothing, provisions or groceries to his employees while so engaged in mining or manufacturing; penalty for each violation \$10 to \$50, to go to the school fund. It is also made unlawful to make deductions from the wages of workmen, except for money, checks or drafts actually advanced without discount, and except such sums as may be agreed upon between employer and employee, which shall be deducted for relief funds for sick or injured employees. Any such deduction may be recovered, together with reasonable attorney's fee, and no set-off or counter-claim of any kind shall be allowed in such proceedings. Fines and damages for laborers are exempted, and "truck" is defined as the payment of wages otherwise than in money, or otherwise than the full amount earned by the employee.

APPROPRIATIONS

Appropriating \$15,000 for the asylum for feeble-minded children at Lincoln. Appropriating \$1,000 per annum for the State Horticultural society. Appropriating \$15,000 per annum for the Illinois National Guard, and to build a rifle range in Cook county. Appropriating \$75,000 for the Kankakee hospital for the insane. Appropriating \$10,000 for the Elgin hospital for the insane. Appropriating \$15,000 for elevator conductors in the city. Appropriating \$2,500 for the care and custody of the Lincoln monument and grounds at Springfield. Appropriating \$1,000 for the State Beekeepers' association. Appropriating \$10,000 for the maintenance of the present general assembly and care of the state house and grounds. Appropriating \$15,000 (deficiency) for public printing up to July 1, 1891. Appropriating \$50,000 for the employees of the present general assembly. Appropriating \$10,000 (deficiency) for public binding. Appropriating \$10,000 for brick machines and materials for a stone wall around the Chester prison. Appropriating \$2,000 for committee expenses of the Thirty-seventh general assembly. Appropriating \$400 for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the department of public instruction (deficiency). Appropriating \$15,000 for the institution for the education of the deaf and dumb. Appropriating \$10,000 to change the present reform school at Pontiac into a state reformatory. Appropriating \$100,000 for additional buildings to accommodate 500 more patients at the Kankakee hospital for the insane. Appropriating \$7,500 for the state reform school. Appropriating \$74,000 for the Elgin hospital for the insane. Appropriating \$60,000 for a state exhibit at the World's Columbian exhibition. Appropriating \$2,000 for the care of Jacob Schmidt, whose eye was destroyed by a convict at Chester. Appropriating \$40 for G. R. Berryman for services during the Thirty-sixth general assembly. Appropriating \$120,100 for the Chester penitentiary. Appropriating \$44,282.50 for the Carbonado normal school. Appropriating \$105,200 for the university of Illinois. Appropriating \$41,000 for the soldiers' and sailors' home. Appropriating \$112.05 for various persons, recommended by the commission of claims. Appropriating \$40,556 for the Joliet penitentiary. Appropriating \$18,000 for a training school building for the normal school at Chicago. Appropriating \$8,500 for the Illinois Charitable Eye and Ear infirmary at Chicago. Appropriating \$273 for reports of the surgeon for the probate court of Peoria county. Appropriating \$16,350 for the Anna insane hospital. Appropriating \$6,500 for the soldiers' orphans' home. Appropriating \$25,000 to renew the gates in and improvements on the Copperas creek and Henry locks on the Illinois and Michigan canal. Appropriating \$10,000 in aid of the Illinois Dairyman's association. Appropriating \$50 per annum for each county farmer's institute. Appropriating \$10,000 to remove the dead in the old Kankakee cemetery to the bluffs on the east of the river, buy a new burying ground, enclose the same and erect a monument to their memory. Appropriating \$108,000 expenses for the Joliet penitentiary. Appropriating \$15,000 for the ordinary expenses of the state laboratory of natural history and for the state entomologist's office. Appropriating \$28,240 for the institution for the blind. Appropriating \$5,000 for printing, paper and stationery to July 1, 1891. Appropriating \$7,000 for the state board of agriculture. Appropriating \$10,000 to remove the dead in the old Kankakee cemetery to the bluffs on the east of the river, buy a new burying ground, enclose the same and erect a monument to their memory. Appropriating \$11,400 for amounts due various persons, recommended by the commission of claims.

Appropriating \$2,450 for ordinary and contingent expenses of the various charitable institutions of the state. Appropriating \$10,000 additional for the pay of the employees of the Thirty-seventh general assembly. Appropriating \$1,000 for expenses of committee of the Thirty-seventh general assembly.

Appropriating \$80,000 for the Illinois state exhibit at the World's fair. Appropriating \$81 for the expenses of the joint committee appointed under authority of the last general assembly to visit the penal institutions of this and other states. Appropriating \$14,500 for the Northern hospital for the insane at Elgin. Appropriating \$82,000 for the officers and members of the next general assembly, and salaries for the officers of the state government.

MISCELLANEOUS

Converting the present reform school at an expense of \$150,000 into the state reformatory and providing for the appointment by the governor of five non-partisan trustees. Only offenders under twenty-one years of age who have never been convicted of crime before are to be admitted. The sentence of the offender shall be for an indeterminate period, and the offender may be held for the maximum time fixed by law, or released on parole or some other way. The earnings of the institution are to be covered into the state treasury.

Amending the act regarding fees for probate court in Cook county by providing that in estates not exceeding \$50,000 the fee shall be \$5, and \$1 additional for each \$1,000 in excess of \$50, and the judge may release all fees in his discretion. Requiring the inspectors of mines to furnish information to the state geologist. Providing a penalty of \$3 to \$20 for animals running at large in cities.

Providing a penalty of \$25,000 per annum for raising money to carry on the state government for the next two years. Providing for the building of a new and indigent soldiers by the township in which they die, except inmates of the soldiers' home.

Authorizing mining and manufacturing companies to hold stock in railroads and authorizing the city of Cairo to build, own and control a graded road through Cache county. Authorizing county judges to appoint one drainage commissioner, when three are unnecessary, on petition of the land-owners in the drainage district. Authorizing the miners in any coal mine to hire and pay for a check weighman. Permitting township fire insurance companies, when they include less than twelve political townships, to receive townships up to but not exceeding twelve townships. Authorizing railroads to buy and hold stocks and securities of connecting lines outside the state; they may buy and hold up to one-third the stock, and pay all stockholders the same price for their stock.

Repealing the law of 1877 defining conspiracy and providing penalties for violation of its provisions (the Merritt conspiracy law). Permitting railroad trains to run day and night without stopping, provided an interlocking switch is in position. Empowering the board of railroad and warehouse commissioners to order interlocking switch devices to be placed at crossings of railroads when the safety of the public demands such action.

Providing that any portion of an incorporated town, such portion having an area of not less than one square mile and a resident population of not less than 1,000, and not less than one-tenth of the population of the county, may be separated from such town, and may be incorporated with township insurance companies. Preventing the docking of horses' tails. Changing the method of levying school taxes in districts lying in more than one county.

Providing that whoever wilfully and wantonly obstructs the passage of any stream or water course by casting, filling or depositing any kind of material on the bank, or in the same whereby the flow of water is prevented or hindered, shall be fined not more than \$100, or imprisoned not more than six months, or both. Providing that when it shall appear to the county or probate court that it is for the interest of the heir or creditors of any estate to be administered upon that the taxes on the real estate of such estate should be paid out of any money on hand, or by the administrator of such estate to pay such taxes to the general revenue fund in the state treasury.

Transferring \$51 for the delinquent land tax fund to the general revenue fund in the state treasury. Authorizing cemetery associations to acquire by purchase, gift or devise, for burial purposes only, so much land as may be necessary for the use of such associations. Establishing the validity of marriages contracted wherein one or both of the parties were slaves at the time and shall be deemed to be slaves at the time of the establishment of their offspring as to the right to inherit property.

Giving legislative assent to the grant of a franchise to the Illinois Agricultural College, and providing that such grants be made to the extent of the land of the public lands in support of agricultural colleges, and providing that such grants be made to the extent of the land of the public lands in support of agricultural colleges, and providing that such grants be made to the extent of the land of the public lands in support of agricultural colleges.

Empowering cities to establish and maintain free public libraries, and authorizing the levy of a tax not exceeding two mills for that purpose. The former law provided that the levy should not exceed one-half mill. Enabling and railroad company whose main line runs near to any county seat to change and relocate such line so as to run through such county seat.

Giving villages and cities acting under special charters the same right to levy and collect taxes for school purposes as now possessed by cities and villages acting under the general school law. Changing the time for holding circuit court in White county from the first Monday in October to the first Monday in August. Changing the time for holding circuit court in almost every county in the First Judicial circuit.

Changing the time for holding circuit court in Brown, Pike and Pulaski counties as follows: In Brown, the fourth Monday of February and the first Monday of September; in Pulaski, the second Monday of March, the second Monday of April, the second Monday of May, the second Monday of June and the second Monday of November. Making it lawful for the trustees of any real or personal property bequeathed by will, donated by deed or otherwise, for the purpose of founding a free public library, to cause to be formed a corporation for the convenience of administering the estate in and to the extent of the property bequeathed or donated, and to cause to be formed a corporation for the convenience of administering the estate in and to the extent of the property bequeathed or donated.

Adding two sections to the civil rights law, providing that justices of the peace shall have jurisdiction in civil cases to recover damages for the violation of the constitution, but on appeal to a higher court the latter may find damages and render judgment the same as the lower court, and the same as the lower court, and the same as the lower court.

Authorizing city councils in cities of less than 100,000 inhabitants, on petition of 100 legal voters, to submit to the people the question of establishing a free hospital within the limits of the city; a tax of 2 mills is authorized to be levied for that purpose, and maintain such hospital, which shall be non-sectarian. Declaring the tapping of telegraph wire a misdemeanor, with a penalty of \$500 to \$1,000, or not exceeding one year in jail, or both. Appropriating \$100 to the first Monday of the second Monday in March, in Marion from the first Monday in March to the first Monday in April, and from the first Monday in April to the first Monday in May, and from the first Monday in May to the first Monday in June, and from the first Monday in June to the first Monday in July, and from the first Monday in July to the first Monday in August, and from the first Monday in August to the first Monday in September, and from the first Monday in September to the first Monday in October, and from the first Monday in October to the first Monday in November, and from the first Monday in November to the first Monday in December, and from the first Monday in December to the first Monday in January, and from the first Monday in January to the first Monday in February, and from the first Monday in February to the first Monday in March, and from the first Monday in March to the first Monday in April, and from the first Monday in April to the first 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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our regular correspondence.)

WASHINGTON, June 12, 1891.
Mr. Harrison might well have cried "save me from my friends," when the negro ex-Congressman, J. M. Langston, got himself interviewed for the purpose of saying that the main issue of the next campaign would be the "force bill," and that Mr. Harrison was the strongest living advocate of that measure, and more of the same sort. It is only necessary for Mr. Harrison to endorse this position to kill himself as dead as if he never had existed. The democratic national committee would probably pay Langston to keep it up on this line, as they are hankering to make the "force bill" one of the issues of the campaign.

The State department has placed a special train at the disposal of the diplomatic corps, and yesterday morning all of the countries whose representations happened to be in town were figuratively put aboard a Pullman and started for Chicago, where they will be shown what has been done towards the great exposition. It is expected that this visit will be productive of much good.

Director General Davis of the World's Fair was here this week consulting with department officials as to the Government exhibited at the exposition, and perfecting arrangements for sending a commission abroad for the purpose of interesting foreign manufacturers and merchants in the Exposition. He says success is already assured.

If it be true that Hon. Charles E. Mitchell, Commissioner of Patents, will shortly retire, as is generally believed here, the poor inventors of the country will lose a good friend, as he has just shown by changing the rules of practice so as to make it impossible for Examiners in the Patent Office to reject applications that ought to be granted and then afterwards patent attorneys get a fee from the same applicant for getting through what should have properly gone through on its merits in the first place. The new rule prohibits any person who has been employed in the Patent Office appearing as agent or attorney in any case upon which he has taken any action while so employed, and is commended by everyone except the men it is intended to hit—the ex-examiners now practicing as attorneys.

Before leaving on a speaking tour of the North and West Senator Peffer called at the White House to pay his respects to Mr. Harrison. He had an interview with Mr. Daniels, editor of the State Chronicle of Raleigh, North Carolina, that has been much commented on. "The Peoples party," said Senator Peffer, "will most assuredly nominate a national ticket next year, and if we gather our forces as well all over the country as we did in Kansas we can easily elect a President and Congress in 1892."

"Is it not better," said Mr. Daniels, "for Alliance men in the South to remain in the democratic party in order to prevent the domination of the negro?"

"We do not care anything about that," replied the Senator; "we want to destroy both old parties unless they will help us. It is not a part of our programme to tamper with either. We cannot concern ourselves with such matters. It is time that sectionalism ceased, and there is only one way to effect it. It is time for the people who are tired of this policy of political ostracism, whether we live in the North, South, East or West, to join hands in friendship, and make a union that is worth maintaining, and which will not have to be pinned together with bayonets. Let us nationalize the people. We don't need any Force bills. We don't need any standing army to see that the people vote right. What we need most in this direction is to see that the Union is restored as well in fact as in name by going among the Southern people, black and white, and doing all that we can and as friends of peace and good government to assist them whenever they need any assistance in adjusting their relations among themselves in a just and honorable way, consulting their interests and not those of persons living in other parts of the country."

Postmaster General Wanamaker has the sympathy of everybody in the attempt that has been made to couple his name with the crookedness of the

Reyston National Bank of Philadelphia.
Mr. Harrison can scarcely be accused of partisanship in the appointment of the justices of the private land claims court, as he has appointed three republicans and two democrats. The Chief Justice is Joseph R. Reed, of Iowa, and the associate justices Wilbur F. Stone, of Colorado; H. C. Sluss, of Kansas; T. C. Fuller, of North Carolina, and W. W. Murray, of Tennessee. The U. S. Attorneys are M. G. Reynolds, of Missouri and L. W. Colby, of Nebraska.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.
(From our regular correspondence.)
WASHINGTON, June 10, 1891.
Mr. Harrison has recognized the Labor organizations by appointing Mr. J. J. Schulteis, of the District of Columbia, who is prominently connected with the Federation of Labor, an additional member of the Immigration commission provided for by the last Congress, the duties of which will be to proceed to Europe for the purpose of investigating immigration. The appointment of Mr. Schulteis may also be considered as a semi-official recognition of the Peoples party recently formed at Cincinnati, as he was by that convention, named as one of the District of Columbia representatives on the national committee of the new party.
Ex-Congressman Grosvenor, of Ohio, who was originally appointed chairman of the immigration commission and whose ill-advised criticism of foreign born American citizens raised such a row a few weeks ago, wired his resignation to Secretary Foster and it was promptly accepted. It was such a relief to Secretary Foster and Mr. Harrison to receive Gen. Grosvenor's resignation that they rewarded him for sending it in by making him a special World's Fair commissioner, a position that pays precisely the same and which also includes an allowance for a trip to Europe. There are people malicious enough to say that Grosvenor would not have resigned if he had not been promised the other place before hand.
Office seekers are always an unmitigated nuisance to those whom they suppose to be possessed of influence with the appointing powers, and a striking instance of how they made life a torture for the friends of an estimable old gentleman whose good heart of heartedness his snubbing the whole tribe as they deserved to be instead of worrying himself sick in trying to get them appointments or promotions as the case might be, has just come to light here. The persecuted old gentleman in this case is no less a personage than President Harrison's father-in-law, Rev. Dr. Scott, who has for some months been an honored inmate of the White House, but who has now gone on an indefinite visit to his son who resides away out on the Pacific Coast. Dr. Scott is now in his eighty-third year, and it seems a shame that he should have to be sent across the continent to get him away from the persistent office-seekers, but there is little doubt that such is the fact. He did not resent this persecution on the contrary he seemed to like it, and his only worry was that the heads of departments would not make the appointments and promotions which he was constantly asking for and even insisting upon. It was only recently that President and Mrs. Harrison became aware of the number and persistence of Dr. Scott's calls upon the heads of the departments in behalf of some one who had convinced him by some plausible story that they were deserving of relieving an appointment, or if already in the service a promotion, and it was extremely mortifying to them both. Persuasion failing to stop him he was sent on this visit.
Verily the way of the political organ is a hard one. The backers of the National Democrat have become tired of throwing good money down a "rat" hole, and unless a purchaser for the paper can be found it will probably soon suspend.

There are lots of rumors, some of them highly sensational, as to why Secretary Foster did not attend the Ohio convention, after having announced his intention to do so, and what makes it look still queerer is that he did go to Ohio yesterday, the day after the convention had adjourned. Important public business is

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COTTON has lately touched the lowest point since 1855, owing to the largest crop on record; and the present crop promises to be even larger than the last. It is possible, evidently, to have too much cotton as well as to have too much corn.

A WESTERN Kansas man says that section of the state has a great future before it. There is nothing that grows in the temperate zone that does not flourish there. Nothing is lacking but water, and that is now being supplied by irrigation.

The enormous wheat crop of the country is rapidly maturing, and already the significant clatter of the reaping machines have become so loud and pervasive that the speeches of the calamity orators are only as whispers in a hurricane.

ALFONSO XIII., the infant king of Spain, is said to be a haughty little monarch. He seems to have an appreciation of the intricacies of court etiquette that would be remarkable in a boy twice his age. He never forgives nor forgets an offense against his dignity.

The late ex-Senator McDonald, of Indiana—"Old Saddle-bags," as he was familiarly called—belonged to a past era, and during the latter part of his life was largely out of touch with current popular thought and feeling. Nevertheless, it is to be said, he was a man of ability and sincerity, and his record is unspotted by any suspicion of dishonesty.

MANY a man, says the St. Joseph (Mo.) Gazette, who winces at seeing a horse lashed is cruel to his own perihelion. He overworks his brain and abuses his body until, though as they are and were meant to be to fit them for the jeh-luic driving of their master, the soul, they yield under the unceasing strain. There is need of a society for the prevention of cruelty to oneself.

The transfer of the signal service from the war department to the agricultural department took place on the 1st of July. Few changes in the personnel of the bureau will be made. Gen. Greely, the signal officer, will for the present continue to act as chief of the weather bureau, but it is probable that a civilian will soon be appointed to that office, which carries with it a salary of \$4,500 per year.

The killing of Col. Sam Wood in the courthouse at Hugoton, Kas., recently, removes one of those peculiar characters who have figured so much in the development of the country west of the Missouri. His death was the result of one of the county seat contests that are peculiar to new communities and the rivalry between mushroom towns. The wonder is not that he met his fate in a violent way, but that he so long escaped such a result.

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It is at last marrying Mrs. O'Shea. Mr. Parnell has done the only thing left him to do. If his vanity had permitted him to withdraw from the titular leadership of the Irish party and remain in seclusion during these six months, the marriage might have opened the door for his return to power with but little loss of prestige. As it is, his wife has entered with him upon a life which it were best they should pass in obscurity, as by almost unanimous consent the ex-Irish leader's career of usefulness to his country has ended.

A CHICAGO police court judge could find no law under which to punish a doctor who deliberately tore open a man's wound that he had sewn up because the unfortunate had not sufficient money to pay the full fee demanded, and the doctor was discharged. The usual practice in Chicago police courts when such a dilemma presents itself is to change the complaint to "disorderly conduct" and assess a fine anyway; and in a case of such rank inhumanity a little of the elasticity of justice which would have been justifiable if ever it was.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Compiled from Various Sources.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

CHARLES STEWART PARNELL and Mrs. Kate O'Shea were married at Steyning, Sussex, England, on the 25th. The ceremony was performed by the registrar, the only witnesses present being two of the clerks employed in that functionary's office.

The retirement of Justin McCarthy, M. P., from the leadership of the Irish party is expected to immediately follow the release of John Dillon from prison.

The state of Mr. Gladstone's health, says the St. James Gazette, is alarming to his friends, and Sir Andrew Clarke fears Mr. Gladstone may not recover from the effects of the grip from which he suffered some time ago.

On the 25th Col. Thos. Fitzgerald, founder and for forty-five years publisher of the Philadelphia Item, who has been traveling in Europe for two months, died suddenly in London from an attack of the grip.

CHIEF SPECIAL AGENT OF THE CENSUS THOMPSON, charged with the collection of the statistics of manufactures in Philadelphia, has been removed from office for disobedience of orders.

The attorney for State Comptroller Colgan of California has advised him not to pay the \$300,000 appropriated by the legislature for California's exhibit at the World's fair, on the ground that the appropriation is unconstitutional.

On the 25th Judge Basnett, of Brooklyn, appointed the People's Trust Co., the Kings County Trust Co., and the Brooklyn Trust Co. receivers respectively for the De Castro & Donner Sugar Co., Oxnard Bros. Sugar Refining Co., Dick & Meyer, and the Hawaiian Sugar Co., under the recent order of a dissolution of the corporations forming the old sugar trust.

The president has appointed Estes G. Rathbone, of Ohio, to be fourth assistant postmaster-general.

The resignation of Commissioner Mitchell of the patent office has been accepted to take effect on August 1, at the end of thirty days' leave of absence.

The Pulaski county (Ark.) grand jury returned an indictment against State Treasurer Woodruff, on the 25th, charging him with embezzlement. Woodruff, who had been on bail pending investigation of his office, was placed under arrest.

SIR JOHN MACDONALD left an estate worth \$90,000, exclusive of Earlscliffe hall, to be divided equally between Lady Macdonald and Hugh John Macdonald, his son. After her death it goes to the sons of the family. His law library is bequeathed to Hugh John Macdonald.

As Omaha (Neb.) special to the New York World says, the reported arrangement for the marriage of Pension Attorney Lemon and the widow of Gen. Logan is denied in a card issued by a prominent G. A. R. man, a close friend of the Logan family. Before the wedding, Mrs. Logan wrote him a letter denying that she contemplated marriage with Lemon, and said she would never marry.

PRESIDENT CANNON has signed the Franco-Brazilian convention protecting the artistic and literary works of the two countries.

Mrs. JOHN LARSON, wife of a farmer living near Hudson, Wis., drowned her three little children in Lake St. Croix, during a fit of insanity, on the evening of the 22d. Mrs. Larson has been taken to an insane retreat.

A PLOT to rob the express car on the Cedar Rapids & Northern near Columbus Junction, Ia., was foiled by one of the conspirators putting a note to a pal in the wrong envelope, thus giving the snap away.

COL. S. N. WOOD, the most noted man in western Kansas, was murdered, on the 25th, near the prison, by a gang of desperadoes. The tragedy is the latest of the long list growing out of the notorious Stevens county-seat war.

FIRE in J. H. Gilmore's New York cotton storage warehouse, on the 24th, caused a loss of \$40,000.

The farm residence of Wm. Huggins, eight miles south of Grand Forks, N. D., was burned, on the 23d, with its contents. Mrs. Huggins was badly burned and died within an hour. She was the daughter of D. R. Reeves, a pioneer settler of the Red River valley.

On the morning of the 25th fire was discovered in the north wing of the United States mint at Philadelphia. The front and back doors were quickly locked, and the fire brigade got to work. An alarm was sent out and the city fire department was soon on the spot, and the flames were extinguished with but small loss. This is the first case on record of the fire department being called out to extinguish a fire in the mint.

The British ship New York, Capt. Thomas, from Swansea, England, February 6, for San Francisco, was wrecked on Staten Island, Terre Del Fuogo, while attempting to round Cape Horn. With the utmost difficulty the officers and crew escaped with their lives.

Shortly after 1 o'clock on the morning of the 25th the big stable of the Philadelphia gas works was destroyed by fire. About half a dozen horses were burned; loss, \$30,000.

MOBILE, Ia., was nearly wiped out by the late flood. Out of fifty houses only one was left standing. The people are camping out in the fields.

ILLINOIS STATE NEWS.

Third Annual Postmasters' Salaries.

The annual readjustment of the salaries of postmasters of the third class has been completed by the post office department at Washington. The changes in salaries of postmasters in that class in Illinois, on July 1, was:

CITIES.	1899.	1901.
Abingdon.....	\$1,200	\$1,200
Adrian.....	1,200	1,200
Alton.....	1,200	1,200
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MISCELLANEOUS.

MEMBERS of the Chilian congressional party called the police who serve under the government of the president at his ministers in order to afford a pretext for the arrest of the congressional negotiators.

GRAVE friction exists between the French and the native government of Madagascar. The interference of the French residents at the capital and arrogance of the French missionaries have greatly offended the Hovas, many of whom belong to Protestant denominations and do not profess to recognize any state religion.

The government of British India has formally made a claim on that part of the Nekong valley now in dispute between France and Siam. It is claimed that the territory in question formerly belonged to the kingdom of Burma, not long since annexed by the British.

The annual report of the Atlantic & Pacific Railroad Co., which has been filed with the California state railroad commission, shows that the expenditures during the last year were \$715,000, and the earnings \$508,000.

The rebellious Arabs of Aimen have defeated the troops of the Sultan, and mean to assert their independence. The insurrection extends to the far interior of Arabia.

The board of naval officers appointed by the secretary of the navy to investigate the cause of stagnation in the navy has begun its labors.

A MEASURE prohibiting the use of the purse seine in Canadian waters has been introduced in the Ottawa parliament by Hon. Mr. Tupper. This will seriously interfere with the Gloucester fishermen's methods of catching mackerel.

The supreme court of the state of Massachusetts has rendered a decision that the Jewett Publishing Co. of Boston can not be held responsible for losses through the fraudulent issue of its shares by the absconding president of the company, C. F. Jewett.

A LOAN of 11,000,000 roubles, the third 4-per-cent international revenue loan, is announced by the Imperial Russian bank of St. Petersburg. The issue is at 97.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

DURING a fire in a Hoboken (N. J.) tenement house, on the 25th, Mrs. Kelly, a widow, was killed, and her two children were caught, unharmed, in a blanket held by the firemen. She had been endeavoring to re-enter the house to save her baby and had to be removed by the police. The child, who was rescued by the firemen, was fatally burned.

The trial of "Frenchy No. 1" for the murder of Carrie Brown, in a manner suggesting the work of "Jack the Ripper," was begun in New York on the 25th. A number of witnesses repeated their testimony given before the coroner at the trial of the prisoner's wife, and was caught, unharmed, in a blanket held by the firemen. She had been endeavoring to re-enter the house to save her baby and had to be removed by the police. The child, who was rescued by the firemen, was fatally burned.

Gov. Fifer has pardoned Charles W. Lofgren, who was cashier for C. H. Deere & Co., at Moline, and was in September last convicted of embezzlement and sentenced to the Joliet penitentiary for one year. The pardon is granted upon the representation that the young man has always been industrious and moral; that he should have an opportunity to reform, and that greater good will result to him and the public through his release than can be expected from his further confinement. The governor states that there is no opposition to the pardon, and that nearly every body in Rock Island county seemed to desire it.

The remains of Hon. Hamilton Spencer, the Nestor of the Bloomington bar, who met a tragic death in Chicago by being killed by a grip car, were buried in Bloomington. The members of the bar held a meeting in honor of the deceased, who had been a member of the bar for thirty-seven years.

Geberhard Buckley, a prominent citizen of Bloomington, was fatally injured the other day in a runaway accident. He was thrown out of a buggy, and his foot caught in a wheel, and he was dragged some distance. His frontal bone was fractured, his head crushed in the back, and leg and ribs were broken and he was injured internally.

Miss Lonoke Cheney, a domestic, took Rough on Rats at Bloomington and died. She quarreled with her lover, and in a fit of frenzy took a dose of the poison. She was 24 years old. Her people live at Weldon, Ill.

At a High-Low Lodge in Jall. SAN ANTONIO, TEX., June 30.—M. T. Lowery, for some years a general agent of the New York Life Insurance Co., was brought here yesterday by a special agent of the company and lodged in a hotel. He was arrested in San Francisco, and is charged with obtaining large sums of money under false pretenses. Lowery, while a resident of this city, was a high-roller, and spent hundreds of dollars in fast and dissipated living. He is well known in insurance circles throughout the United States.

THE WILD MISSOURI.

The Big Muddy at a Dangerous High Stage and Heavy Rain.

The Big Muddy at a Dangerous High Stage and Heavy Rain. The Missouri river at this point is at a dangerously high stage. At 6 o'clock this evening the water registered 3 feet above standard low-water mark, or 25 feet above standard low-water mark. The water is rising steadily one inch an hour and will probably rise two or three feet more in the next day or two. Parts of Harlem, a hamlet just across the river have already been submerged and about twenty-five families have left their homes and are camping on the high ground. All the farms along the river are submerged and the crops ruined.

On this side of the river the high water has caused no flood excepting as it has backed up the waters of the Missouri at this place. The backwaters submerged much of the low lands and the 100 or more squatters living there have been obliged to abandon their homes. The water has also backed up in the sewers of Kansas City, Kas., and has run out of the manholes, flooding various parts of the town. Very little actual damage has been done as yet, and no great damage is anticipated unless the Missouri waters should rise more than three feet above their present stage.

A dispatch from Atchison, Kas., says: "The Missouri river is now 3 feet higher at this point than it has been at any other time this season. Farms on the Missouri side were submerged last night. Wheat fields will be a total loss."

Leavenworth also reports very high water, inundating much of the farm land, and the destruction of crops. A report has just come in that a portion of the Hannibal bridge at this point has been swept away by the flooded river.

A St. Joseph (Mo.) special says: "The river has risen steadily since Saturday night, and at noon today it is within 10 inches of the highest point reached in ten years. Residents of the French bottoms, north of this city, are in a state of alarm and many are preparing to move. The water is still rising, and reports received from Sioux City, Iowa, show a gain of 6 inches since last evening. If the river should overflow the French bottoms it is expected that a new channel will be cut through, leaving many farms on an island and diverting the stream from the Kansas river to the Missouri."

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The killing of Col. Sam Wood in the courthouse at Hugoton, Kas., recently, removes one of those peculiar characters who have figured so much in the development of the country west of the Missouri. His death was the result of one of the county seat contests that are peculiar to new communities and the rivalry between mushroom towns. The wonder is not that he met his fate in a violent way, but that he so long escaped such a result.

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A CHICAGO police court judge could find no law under which to punish a doctor who deliberately tore open a man's wound that he had sewn up because the unfortunate had not sufficient money to pay the full fee demanded, and the doctor was discharged. The usual practice in Chicago police courts when such a dilemma presents itself is to change the complaint to "disorderly conduct" and assess a fine anyway; and in a case of such rank inhumanity a little of the elasticity of justice which would have been justifiable if ever it was.

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SENATOR CARLISLE who is just bristling with Presidential lightning rods, says any democrat can win next year. It is safe to wager that he headed in his mind "except Cleveland."

THERE are no flies on the Colorado constable who seized and detained an express train on the Missouri Pacific railway until he was paid a judgment against the company amounting to \$17.50.

THE fellow who says the Farmer's Alliance doesn't amount to anything as a political factor is getting difficult to find, and before long the dime museum managers will be after him to exhibit among the other freaks.

POLITICAL parties are in the minds of some people like armed revolutions; if successful they are right, if unsuccessful they are wrong. Such people are never worried about the principles of either parties or individuals.

THE small fry politicians are having a good deal to say about who is to receive the Presidential nominations next year; but the big fellows, those really control things, are keeping silent in seven languages on that subject.

GEN. MAHONEY is credited with having said recently that he was in favor of any man that would "bust" the democracy. Judging from the elections in Virginia for several years past Mahoneism has proven unequal to the task.

THIS is the season for a reduction in prices in all branches of trade in order to force business, even Chicago divorce lawyers are advertising cut prices, one fellow agreeing to furnish divorces for \$24, and allowing that to be paid in installments.

NEW YORK City boys have always been considered tough, but the one through which 2,500 volts of electricity passed for five minutes, without injuring him, is certainly the toughest on record. He should lose no time in becoming a ward politician.

OHIO republicans probably breathe freer since ex-Governor Grovernor went to Europe. "Keep Grovernor in Europe until after the election; if the appropriation doesn't hold out we'll furnish the money for his salary and expenses," is said to be what a prominent Ohio republican telegraphed to Secretary Foster.

THIS year there were nineteen lieutenants in the Army to be filled by appointments from civil life, and of the nineteen selected for examination six are the sons of Army officers. It should be remembered that these appointments are entirely outside of the graduates of West Point, where many sons of Army officers are every year appointed. The building up of a military or office holding aristocracy of Europe, and it will not long be tolerated in this country. It may become necessary for Congress to enact a law absolutely prohibiting any son of any man in any branch of the Government service being selected to fill an appointive office, in order to protect the rights of the people not in the magic circle.

DURING the present year many disastrous failures among the National banks in various sections have done much to bring discredit upon the system, which has been by its friends claimed to be well nigh perfect. The majority of these failures have been caused by downright thieving on the part of bank officials, and in more than one case it is charged that the Government bank examiners have either connived at crookedness or been criminally negligent. Once destroy popular faith in the efficiency of Government supervision of the national banks, and the system is doomed, as that has from the first been the strongest argument in favor of the system, and no close observer can deny that recent events have shaken the confidence of the public.

The New York Sun credits the Ohio Republicans with being willing to sacrifice Senator Sherman to appease the Farmer's Alliance of that State. But the indications are that Senator Sherman will show the same unwillingness to walk the plank that was exhibited by his late colleague Mr. Ingalls, or Kansas. The longer a man stays in office the longer he wasn't to stay.

Naples Items.

Miss Emma Watts visited friends in Perry last week.

Eva Elvidge, of Jacksonville, is visiting her mother.

Miss Edie Omer, of Camp Point, is visiting friends here.

Miss Jessie Mauck was quite ill a few days the past week.

Miss Cooper and son, of St. Louis, are visiting friends here.

Sallie Lamson spent Sunday with her parents at Neelyville.

Mrs. Ada Swope returned to her home at Farris, Ill., Thursday.

Messrs. Edwards and Furgison are the proud fathers of baby boys.

Mamie Knowlen, of Dosh, attended the supper here Thursday evening.

Mrs. John Thomas is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Lawson, at your place.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley have returned home after a three weeks visit with parents.

The supper given by the Christian church Thursday and Saturday evenings of last week were a success.

Elder Agee filled his regular appointment at the Christian church Sunday. He preached two good sermons to large audiences.

Little Estella Harrison, of Stanford, Ill., and Miss Alice Ward and brother Harry, of Canton, Mo., are visiting their grandmother, Mrs. Ward.

Miss Grace Hatfield returned home Thursday from Normal where she has been attending school. Grace's many friends are glad to see her home again.

Six of the Knox College Boys, of Galesburg, held a meeting here at the M. E. church Tuesday evening, and Wednesday evening at the Christian church in favor of the Y. M. C. A.

Charlie Ratcliff entered into rest June the 20th, 1891, aged 23 years. He died with that dread disease, consumption. Thus the Weary Pilgrim has laid his travel stained garments aside, and leaves a mother, father and brother to mourn his loss.

Mr. McKean was taken to rest after lingering for ten months with that dread disease, consumption. He died June 27th 1891, aged 69. One brother is left to mourn his loss, a wife and six children. His greatest desire was that his children should meet him beyond. His last hours were filled with peace and joy of the christian hope. His funeral was preached by Rev. Wolf. He was a kind friend and neighbor. He bore his sufferings, which were great, with fortitude and was ready and anxious for the time to come when he would receive the crown of righteousness that waits the faithful in Christ. I would say to the bereaved "you mourn not as those who have no hope. Life is but a winter's day, a journey to the tomb."

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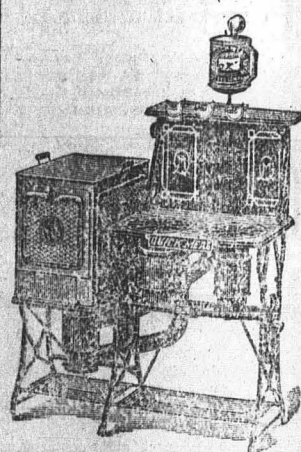
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H. H. Knollenberg's "New Fives," cigars are the very best in the city. For sale by all dealers. Give them a trial.

—An exchange thus enumerates the plagues of a newspaper office: "Bored, poets, cranks, rats, cock-roaches, typographical errors, exchange friends, book canvassers, delinquents subscribers, and a man who always knows how to run a paper better than the editor."

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—Subscribe for THE NEWS.

—Jas. Newton, of Chambersburg was in the city Tuesday.

—Jno. Stone, of Versailles, was in town Saturday on business.

—Miss Alice Marden returned to her home at Winchester this week.

—Bud Hale and daughter, Miss Lottie, spent Monday in Quincy.

—Miss May Blasedall, of Quincy is the guest of friends and relatives here.

—Miss Lucy Plowman is visiting friends in Chambersburg this week.

—Lewinson has the roof on his new building and is now working on the inside work.

—Mrs. Quinlin, of Naples, was a guest at the home of Tom Burrus one day last week.

—Frank Wilson, Emmer Dimmit and Will Hyatt attended church in Brown county last Sunday.

—Jno. Dedrick, the miller, will leave to-day (Thursday) for a visit with his family in Milwaukee, Wis.

—F. A. Ray, of Chicago, came in one day this week to visit his brother and see about his new hotel building.

—Chas. Hauser, wife and little one, came up from Campsville on the steamer Pike last Sunday and will remain till after the Fourth.

—Don't go away to celebrate but celebrate at home. You can enjoy the day as much at home as anywhere and be several dollars ahead too.

—Harve Ham and Miss Rose Crawford will attend the wedding of Miss Anna Ham to Mr. Will Holscher at Chambersburg to-day (Wednesday).

—The ball club have received a challenge from the Mt. Sterling club, but as they are not in practice we presume they will not accept it.

—Miss Emma Weaver, returned to her home in Beardstown Wednesday morning, after a two weeks visit with her sister, Mrs. Ritscher in this place.

—C. H. Purnell opened up in his new double brick building Saturday morning in elegant shape. Charlie undoubtedly has the finest equipped saloon in Western Illinois.

—Notice the new ad. of A. E. Ritscher in this issue. Mr. Ritscher intends reducing his stock of boots and shoes, preparatory to moving into his new building and offers some wonderfully low prices.

—A party consisting of J. H. Carver and family, Mr. and Mrs. Peak, of Decatur, and Miss Ida Nevill were out Wednesday morning trying their luck with the flinty tribe. If they filled all the orders they contracted they must have caught a power of fish.

—The speaking and singing by the Knox College Boys at the M. E. church Tuesday evening, was well attended. Those in attendance speak in the highest terms of the entertainment. They were here in the interest of the Y. M. C. A.

Glorious Fourth of July.

For the Fourth of July Celebrations, the Jacksonville Southeastern Line will sell round trip excursion tickets between all stations on their own line and also on connecting lines, including Chicago, Kansas City, etc. at special low rates. Tickets will be sold July 3rd and 4th, good for return passage up to and including July 8th. W. W. KENT, Gen'l Pass. Agent.

Something New.

We have been favored this week with a grand (?) comedy company. They came in Sunday, and after rushing around town half a day managed to raise ten cents with which to buy muslin to paint their "lithographs." Below we give a facsimile of it when finished.

THE M'Dnight Troubadours Comedy Company. Thursday Evening, June 30. Tickets 15c. ONE NIGHT ONLY.

We have not learned whether they have got out of town.

A Wonder Worker.

Mr. Frank Huffman, a young man of Burlington, Ohio, states that he had been under the care of two prominent physicians, and used their treatment until he was not able to get around. They pronounced his case to be Consumption and incurable. He was persuaded to try Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds and at that time was not able to walk across the street without resting. He found, before he had used half a dollar bottle, that he was much better; he continued to use it and is to-day enjoying good health. If you have any throat, lung or chest trouble try it. We guarantee satisfaction. Try a bottle free at C. H. Ray's drug store.

—Celebrate at home.

—Prof. Decker's guests returned home Tuesday evening.

The Reliance corset waist for ladies and children at Carver's.

—D. Watts is putting the foundation in for his new building.

—Mr. Peak and wife, of Decatur are the guest of J. H. Carver and family.

One hundred pounds of granulated sugar for \$4.00, CASH, at J. H. Carver's.

—Horace Turnham has been clerking for Looman Bros. & Brockhouse this week.

—Mike Cody will attend the Holcher-Ham wedding at Chambersburg Wednesday.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

Griggsville is to have a jelly factory. A farm of 1244 acres, near Pittsfield, sold for \$10,000.

Carthage has half a dozen young ladies who are graceful bicyclists.

High license is so successful at Barry that the calaboose is not large enough.

Dame Rumor has it that a new democratic paper is to be started at Macon.

The valedictorian of the graduating class of the Aldeo High School was a colored girl.

Willis Gable was fined \$100 and trimmings by a Basco justice for illegally selling beer.

Charlie Harmon, aged 10, died of blood poison at Mt. Sterling the result of a cut from a piece of glass.

At Pittsfield an admission fee of 10 cents was charged to witness Children's Day exercises at the Christian church.

Zebb Alphin was thrown from a cart by a run-away horse near his home in Huntville township and seriously injured.

The delinquent taxes in Schuyler county amounted to \$167 this year—"the least ever sold in the county" says the Citizen.

A Baylis man has a glass jar of currants, which was put up 21 years ago, and the fruit appears to be in an excellent state of preservation.

Mrs. Thomas Abbott, of Griggsville, died very suddenly last Friday morning, appearing to be in usual health up to four o'clock on Thursday afternoon. She was 62 years of age.

Disco is the banner town in Hancock county on the dog question. There is but one dog in town and it is too insignificant to be enumerated in the list of the assessors.

The hanging of Charles Ford in Ottawa has called out some peculiar facts in the way of heredity. His father was hanged for murder, as was also his brother. His mother's brother is now in jail for train wrecking. His sister has run a thieves' paradise for years. Here is a case where crime has been hunted down from parent to progeny, and as strange as it may appear, the criminals have not been drunkards.

Jacob Kisor, a farmer in Macon Co., Mo., died last week. On his deathbed he called his family to him and informed them that they would find some money hid away in an outhouse in a tool chest. They searched and pulled out \$900 in gold and \$1,000 in greenbacks.

A little boy at Hannibal got hold of a glass of water containing morphine and drank it and died within a few hours. It was a very sad occurrence, but a perfectly natural consequence of leaving poison in a glass of water where a child can get hold of it.

Billie Davis of the Democrat Message is papa to a daughter. Every thing in Mt. Sterling and surrounding country will be sweet with him for awhile. This is all the glory he will need.

It is now settled fact that the beast which has been seeking what it may devour in McDonough county and neighboring territory for the past three months is a tiger. It escaped from a menagerie that was overtaken by a storm on Crooked creek about three years ago.

Charles E. King, a life insurance agent of Quincy, is under bonds of \$1,000, to answer to a charge of rape, preferred by fifteen-year-old Mattie Shaw. The defendant pronounces it a blackmailing scheme.

Pittsfield building association sold its money at a premium of 21c to 36c this month. The interest is but 50c with them, whereas the interest with the Clayton building and loan Association is 65c per month.

Terrill Bros. very liberally offered to compromise with Mr. Fry, whose child was almost torn to pieces at Bushnell by their bear, for \$2,000, but that gentleman will probably get nearer \$3,000 before the case is settled.

During a storm at Colchester recently, hailstones fell weighing nearly a pound each. In some instances sheet-iron roofs were penetrated by the hail and nearly all north windows in the place were broken out. The loss in broken glass is estimated at \$300.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by C. R. Ray.

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NEWS IN BRIEF.

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CRIMES AND CASUALTIES.

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THE ADVICE SOCIAL.

A Novel Way of Replenishing an Empty Treasury.

As Santa Ynez was a small town, a small matter produced a great sensation. Real estate speculations, auction sales and late arrivals, all paled into insignificance, when compared with the doings of a certain Thursday evening.

The affair was a carefully contrived one. A pair of New England maidens, usually known as "those Pinckney girls," the girls in question had the invention and quick wittiness which characterize the natives of Yankee land, but which never attains its full height until it is transplanted to California soil.

At midnight of the 4th William Coe and Charles Adgate, while on a passenger train leaving Cleveland, O., engaged in a jealous quarrel, and Adgate, Coe, fell off the coach. He fell on the rails and both feet were amputated and his skull fractured.

MISCELLANEOUS.

DISPATCHES say that the revolution which broke out in Catamarca, Argentine Republic, has been suppressed, and the regular provincial government reinstated in power.

On the 1st a thermometer registered 108 deg. in Stockton, Cal. There were four deaths from sunstroke.

The London police have warned the German and French socialist and anarchists against any overt act during the Kaiser's visit to that city.

On the 5th the Chilian (insurgent) steamer Charlestown arrived at San Diego, Cal., direct from Iquique, Chili, after a trip of twenty-three days.

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Entered in the Postoffice at Meredosia, Ill., as Second Class Mail Matter.

Advertising rates made known upon application.

TERMS: \$1.25 A YEAR, IN ADVANCE.

PHOTOGRAPHS of the sun are said to show that the great luminary makes a complete revolution in eleven years.

ON the question, "Is marriage a failure?" it might be well to get the testimony of the King of Ashantee, who is blessed with 3,333 wives.

A LETTER-carrier at Wheeling, W. V., successfully delivered a letter to a man with the name of George Schwif-witzereontherheim.

THE saloon-keepers' protective association of Chicago has adopted a resolution not to employ any bar-tender addicted to the use of intoxicating liquor.

THE cost of the late Illinois legislature, as officially certified, was \$344,918, more money than has ever been paid this country for political services of so little value.

A CHURCH in Connecticut has set the exchange of utilizing its pretty girls as ushers. The growth of religious feeling among the young men to the town is said to be simply wonderful.

AN enthusiastic exchange says: There is not enough tin plate manufactured in this country to supply the democratic babies that are being born in Illinois this year with rattles.

Bishop Cox's denunciation of women riding bicycles is still reverberating. Did it ever strike him that it can't be any worse than the habit some eminent people have of riding hobby-horses at all sorts of times and places?

It is estimated that at least \$50,000, 000 of the government's paper money supposed to be in circulation has been lost or destroyed. By the sinking of one vessel off the Atlantic coast some years ago, \$1,000,000 in greenbacks was lost.

THE Emperor William's order that no person shall ride free on the railroads unless engaged for the company is going to be doubly hard on the tramps. Their only excuse can be they work as much for the railroads as anybody else.

THE census office has given out the tobacco statistics of Illinois. The total number of planters in the state during the census year was 2,449; the total devoted to tobacco 4,155 acres; the total product 3,042,936 pounds; and the value of the crop to the producer, estimated on the basis of actual sales, \$116,340.

THE wedding anniversaries are: One day, honey; three days, sugar; six days, molasses; sixty days, vinegar; first year, iron; fifth, wooden; tenth, tin; fifteenth, crystal; twentieth, china; twenty-fifth, silver; thirtieth, cotton; thirty-fifth, linen; fortieth, woolen; forty-fifth, silk; fiftieth, golden; seventy-fifth, diamond.

THIS year in preparation for its athletic contests Yale avoided tobacco and certain alleged pernicious liquors. Harvard smoked away and, as became the heroes of the crimson, occasionally sought their energies in the way of a tint or two of color application. The result is Harvard won in almost every contest, and even on Yale's great specialty, water.

PRINCE BISMARCK doesn't write letters if he can help it, but when it is imperative he has them written, and then adds his signature, at the same time enclosing his photograph. His object in doing the latter probably is to inform his correspondent that the real Bismarck and the Bismarck he may know from the cuts in the papers are two different persons.

A PITTSBURGH attorney comes forward with an idea. He argues that when the state constitution is revised, if it should be, the convention embody in it a provision to the effect that when a saloon-keeper is refused a license viewers be appointed by the court to assess the damages he may suffer by the refusal. The argument is that he has a vested right, for which compensation should be made in the event of deprivation. The judges of license courts, have generally decided that the selling of liquor is a privilege under state control. The idea introduces a new red rag to the familiar old bull.—Quincy Herald.

It is announced that there will be no official order changing Uncle Sam's great national indoor game from poker to baccarat.

THE Philadelphia Times gracefully refers to the poet Whittier's loss of sight by saying: "In the winter of his old age his muse is 'snow bound.'"

A CHICAGO physician sewed up a wound in a man's leg and charged \$3. The man had only \$1.30 to give him, whereupon the doctor ripped the place open again. Such a "Doc the Ripper" ought to be hung.

A MAN in Bridgeport underwent an operation for a sprain, and now finds his leg painfully hung on an invisible pivot that enables him to swing it readily in any direction. He ought to go into politics at once.

It is announced that the Emperor of Germany has been learning baccarat so as to understand the situation, and they do say that his study all social questions is equally thorough. Nothing like keeping posted.

A BOSTON wife boasts that, after ten years of marriage, her husband kisses her five times a day; whereupon a Chicago paper retorts that there is a lady out there who has been married more than ten years, and another woman's husband kisses her twenty times a day. There is no use trying to beat Chicago.

THE slot machine has been put to a new use in Birmingham, Eng., being applied to the meter in tenement houses. When gas is wanted you drop a two-penny piece in the slot, and get gas for an hour, at the end of which time it goes out and it requires another coin to turn it on.

It seems now that the law lately passed by the legislature permitting woman to vote at school elections is void. The constitution of the State defines the qualification of a voter, and says he must be a male citizen twenty-one years of age. The late law is therefore unconstitutional. Next time the legislature meets it will have to submit an amendment to the constitution permitting a law to be passed, and in four years from now they can vote.

"Most editors are well acquainted with the man who takes more papers than he can read, and consequently has no use for his local paper. He takes a paper published in Portland, Maine. It contains all the latest news about "The Smuggler's Last Cruise," the adventures of "Big Moose, the Bandit King" etc., and while he is storing his mind with such useful information his wife is reading back number almanacs. This is also the same man who wants fifteen lines local puffs in your paper just to fill up, you know."

Recently two ladies at Winchester, Ill., made a raid on a gambling den in which the husband and son had lost his money and made the sharks disgorge all the money won from the young men. It is said the brave ladies slipped in unawares and before the occupants of the gaming tables knew it they were upon them. There was a futile effort to get away, but the ladies went there for business and they meant it.

Many Physicians.

Endorse Reid's German Cough and Kidney Cure for colds, coughs and lung trouble. They know that this great remedy is composed of pure substances, without opium, morphine or any other opiate or poison, that there is no danger from its use. This can be said of very few proprietary medicine. It can be given to children without the slightest danger. Even if they obtain access to the bottle the mother need not be alarmed. No ill result will follow. Every physician to whom the formula has been told says that it is one of the best possible combinations, and that no claims in its behalf have been over-stated. This is high praise, but it is wholly deserved, and every intelligent physician will endorse the enormous lavished upon this great remedy. For sale by all druggists, 25 and 30 cents a bottle.

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Twenty pounds of granulated sugar for \$1.00 at J. H. Carver's.

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BLACK! BLACK!

The Prevailing Shade this Season. We have

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In endless variety, of both plain and figured Goods.

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In all the novelties as well as staples.

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We can interest you on, as we have all the

NEW STYLES, AND PRICES ARE LOW.

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4 lbs best green coffee for.....\$1 00
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4 lbs roast (1 package) Cordova.....1 00
4 lbs roast (1 package) XXXX.....1 00
25 lbs medium light brown sugar.....1 00
10 lbs fancy raisins.....1 00
3 lbs Imperial Tea.....1 00
100 lbs granulated sugar.....4 75
A genuine Old Government Java Coffee.....35c per pound

Come and see the display, we can and will save you money.

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SLAUGHTER! : SLAUGHTER! MRS. H. WEGEHOF

Down They Go!

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A. E. RITSCHER'S.

Prices reduced on my entire stock

FOR
THE NEXT 30 DAYS.

Wishing to close out my present stock preparatory to moving into my new store building, which will soon be completed, and stocking up with the largest and finest line of BOOTS and SHOES ever before brought to Meredosia, I will make a great reduction on my entire stock now on hand for the next THIRTY DAYS.

FIRST - COME - FIRST - SERVED.

Children's Shoes 45 cts. per pair, former price 75 cents.
Fargo's \$2.50 Shoe reduced to \$2.
Genuine Kangaroo Shoe \$2.75, former price \$3.50.
Ladies Fine Kid Button Shoes at 95 cts. per pair.
Ladies and Misses Oxford Ties proportionately low.

Men's Shoes at my shop. Ladies Shoes at my residence.

A. E. RITSCHER.

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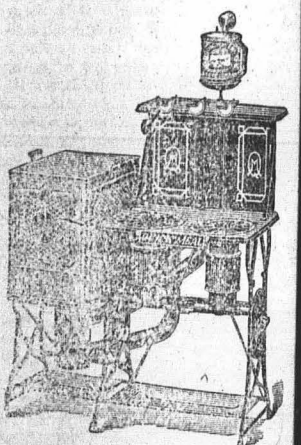
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DRY GOODS

You will save TIME by going to the largest store, because you can see a greater variety at once. You will save MONEY because the biggest store has always the lowest prices, that's how it gets to be the biggest. You will save TROUBLE and worry, because in the best store, conducted on modern principles, there is only one price asked, one price taken. The largest and best store in Jacksonville is

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It will pay you every time to make your purchases there.

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—Land, 8c.
—Oats, 50c.
—Corn 50c.
—Meal, 80c.
—Eggs 12c.
—Wheat 90c.
—Flour, \$1.25.
—Butter, 12c.
—Drao, 90c. cwt.
—Coarse Feed, \$1. cwt.
—Shipstuf, \$1. cwt.
—Hogs, \$1.00.
—Potatoes, \$1. to \$1.30.
—Sweet Potatoes, \$2.00.
—Mixed Feed, \$1. cwt.
—Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
—Subscribe for THE NEWS.
—Our merchants enjoyed a good trade last Saturday.
—Frank Blair, of Chapin, spent the Fourth in this place.
—Geo. Stokes attended the dance at Bluffs Friday evening.
—Miss Green, of St. Louis, is the guest of Miss Cad Reiland this week.
—Henry Geiss left Tuesday morning for a trip in the south part of the state.
—Jno. Hense, of the Lillian Mills, Hersman, was in the city Tuesday morning.
—Get prices on fruit jars at CARVER'S.

—The Versailles Enterprise announces an excursion to Springfield for July 22, 1891. The Enterprise believes in advertising in advance.
—Fencing from \$1.00 per hundred upwards at P. BAUMAN'S.
—We acknowledge a receipt of the premium list of the Barry Fair, to be held August 4 to 7. This company have fine tracks, good accommodations, etc. Parties wishing lists of premiums should address C. W. Ware, Secretary, Barry, Ill.
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—Springdale canned apples (3 lbs.) for 10c per can at Carver's.
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—Geo. Geiss has added a new drain board to his bar.
—Tom Flattery, of Versailles was a caller Tuesday morning.
—Joe Frye and wife, of Naples, visited with Mrs. Baker, Monday.
—The baloon man fell to put in an appearance at Versailles on the 4th.
—Mrs. C. R. Ray and children visited home folks in Pittsfield last week.
—Quite a number of our people celebrated at Versailles last Saturday.
—Miss Nora Turner, of Jacksonville is spending a few days with home folks.
—Horace Fugate held a position in Hall's barber shop in Versailles Saturday.
—"Monk" Hauser and family came down from Campsville to spend the Fourth with home folks.
—Harve Wilson and Al Geiss, of Mt. Sterling spent Sunday in town with friends and relatives.
—Wm. Cobb and wife, of Pittsfield, were the guest of Mrs. Cobb's mother, Mrs. Hyde, last Monday.
—Mrs. Jno. Cox, of Hersman, spent Friday of last week with her mother, Mrs. Bushnell, of this place.
—C. H. Purnell relieved one day last week twenty barrels of Kentucky whisky doubled stamped.
—Mrs. Alice Brady and children, spent the Fourth in this place, with her mother, brother and sisters.
—The fire works display on the river last Saturday evening, given by Capt. C. C. Keener, was very fine.
—D. Schroll made a haul with his seine one day last week and succeeded in catching between 400 and 500 pounds.
—Mrs. Wm. Smithson and Miss Fannie Ransdell were visiting friends and relatives in Quincy Saturday and Sunday.
—Miss Katie Hyde, who has been sojourning in Pittsfield for the past three months, returned home last Friday.
—Tom Burdick, of the Blandinsville Gazette, spent the Fourth in this place. Tom has a host of friends in Meredosia.

—Mrs. Mattie Harbison and daughter, Sylvia, of Clayton, visited with her brother W. T. Hedenberg in this place over Sunday.
—About one hundred citizens of Naples passed this place enroute to the Locks, on the steamer J. H. Rohn on the Fourth. They were a jolly crowd.
—James Cody, Jr., went to Quincy last week in response to a telegram from J. P. Bartlett, state fish commissioner, to take a position on the Lotus.

—The dance in Lewinson's new building last Saturday evening was well attended. Everything passed off nicely and those who participated report a good time.
—Any one desiring any information as to how a barge is propelled without steam inquire of Will Looman and John Nevill. Illustrated catalogue free upon application.

—Prof. Decker, principal of our public school, left last week for Macomb, where he goes to take a five weeks position as instructor in the Normal at that place. He was accompanied by his wife and little one.

—We met our old friends, Charlie Weyer and Joe DeLess, of Clayton, in Bluffs last Monday. They were out in the interest of a grain measure, which is manufactured at Clayton. They are "rustlers" from way back. They informed us that they were meeting with great success.

—Young man, have some object in life; fix the goal at which you hope to arrive, and then bend all your energies to reach it. Don't sit down and wait for somebody to die, or for some sweet girl with a fortune in her own right, to fall in love with and marry him. Such girls are not looking for such dry goods box philosophers as you, they have no use for you. When they marry they want a man—not simply a drone in nature's hive. They want a man with some manhood; a man who has manliness to stand in his place in the great battle of life. No good, bright intelligent girl is likely to choose a poor, weak effeminate apology of a man for a husband, who hasn't an inspiration above being an expert at playing cecilia or billiards, not by any means. No she wants a man who can get up and stir himself and make himself felt in business, social and political religious circle. In a word, she wants a man that is a man.—Ex.

—Do you need a riding plow or a hay rake? If so you should call at J. P. Bauman's and see his fine display. He has the finest line ever brought to Meredosia. Call and see him and get prices. He can and will save you money.

Subscribe for THE NEWS.

—Work on the new hotel and opera house is progressing nicely.
—Miss Laura Jackson, of Griggsville, is the guest of Miss Susie Wilson this week.
—Quite a number have called and paid up their subscription this week. That's right gentlemen.
—Mr. and Mrs. Phillips, of Griggsville, visited the family of T. K. Ball last Saturday and Sunday.
—Jno. Hense, of Hersman, sold to F. Einisman five car load of wheat last Tuesday to be delivered on the 28th of the present month.
—A. E. Ritcher's new business house is nearing completion. He will open up about the middle of August with one of the finest line of boots and shoes ever brought to Meredosia.
—Last Saturday was a very quiet day in Meredosia, although there was a goodly number of people in town. The Gun Club celebrated the day by a shooting match and burgo.
—Quite a change in the thermometer was experienced Tuesday. In the morning the air was perfectly sultry it was so warm and in the evening one could readily enjoy an overcoat.
—The Illinois Kidney and Liver cure man, with his concert, was here Tuesday evening advertising their medicine. He has a good singer and musician with him and some of our citizens who have used the medicine seem to think it first-class.
—The anti Chinese craze is producing bitter fruit, as might have been foreseen. Terrible riots have recently occurred in various parts of China, resulting in the destruction of several missionary establishments.
—Married, Wednesday evening, July 1, 1891, at the residence of the bride's parents in Chambersburg, in the presence of a large assembly of friends, Miss Anna Ham and Mr. William Holscher. The happy couple were the recipients of many handsome and valuable presents. The groom is a resident of this locality, and is a promising young man, with a future filled with bright hopes. He is well known and highly esteemed by all. The bride is the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joel Ham. She is much thought of by those who know her, and only the best wishes of all follow in her wake over the sea of matrimony. May theirs be a long, happy and prosperous wedded life, is the wish of THE NEWS.

—Subscribe for THE NEWS.
—Lost, Strayed or Stolen.
On the night of June 19, one dark bay mare. Out on right hind leg in lock joint (nearly healed). Persons having any information in regard to same will notify LEE LUMPKINS, Meredosia, Ill.

—Eighth Semi-Annual Statement of the Farmers' and Traders' Bank of Meredosia, Ill., July 1, 1891.

RESOURCES.
Loans and discounts.....\$20,736 00
Over Drafts.....18 45
Real Estate and Mortgages.....2,360 00
Due from Banks.....47,888 52
Cash on hand.....9,704 57
Total.....\$81,025 53

LIABILITIES.
Capital Stock.....\$10,000 00
Surplus.....3,000 00
Undivided Profits.....430 00
Dividends.....49 00
Deposits.....59,113 53
Total.....\$81,025 53

Geo. W. GRAMM, Pres.
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Contentment.

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Anonymous and obscure letter writing to two respectable young ladies of Prairie City is creating considerable excitement in that town.

W. P. James, a young man whose mother lives in Whitehall, Illinois, committed suicide in Denver, Colorado, Saturday. He lost his money gambling.

David Crow, an old soldier with 96 descendants, died recently in the poor house of Hancock county. It seems like a grateful country, or children, might have made his last days easier.

An Audrain county, Mo., negro who was caught with some chickens belonging to a distant neighbor explained their presence on his premises by saying that they were blown there by the cyclone.

A Bushnell man has a Japanese rose bush. It grows about three feet high, a single stock having neither leaves or branches. The rose grows in a cluster at the top, of different shades and very fragrant.

The Macomb Journal says: The Park well was measured by our officials a few days ago and found to be filled up with solid matter to within 720 feet of the top. The well was originally over 1600 feet deep.

An epidemic of hydrophobia is reported in the eastern part of McDonough county, and several dogs known to have been suffering from the malady have been killed. Several cattle that were bitten went mad and were killed.

The body of E. M. Haskell, who died over twenty years ago at Northfield, Minn., was recently removed from its grave to be put in another lot, when it was discovered he had beard over twenty-three inches long. Just before he died he had been shaven.

Another electric dynamo has been put in the electric light works, and the streets of this city are now illuminated every night in a first-class manner. So far as we know, both systems are and incandescent are giving excellent satisfaction.—Rushville Ex.

A live catfish weighing eighty-five pounds, was caught in the river near Quincy last week by two moulders while in bathing. The moulders saw it swimming near the surface and threw a stone at it, stunning it so that it came to the surface. One of the moulders then got on it and paddled it ashore.

Moline has a law and order league made up of ladies, and they determined to find out the moral condition of the city. A Chicago detective was brought into the city and he soon became one of the "boys." As the result of his labor's information were filed against five persons for keeping gambling places and twenty-two young men for gambling.

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Mrs. Peter Craiglines, of Pleasant Hill, was dangerously, if not fatally, gored by a cow Monday. She had milked the cow, and was without any provocation assaulted by the brute, which struck her just above the eye, the horn penetrating the skin and passing upward tearing its way out, and one of the horns also entered the right limb, on the inside a little above the knee and penetrating to the bone, passing upward following the bone tearing a gash some fourteen inches long, passing out on the front side of bone near the hip. Dr. Thomas was called to the case. The ragged condition of the wound required considerable trimming before it could be sewed up, which required sixty-four stitches. The warm weather will make the case rather difficult of management, but we trust it will not prove serious.—Pittsfield Old Flag.

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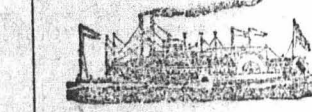
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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our regular correspondence.)
WASHINGTON, July 10, 1891.

Secretary Foster's recently expressed opinion that certain bureaux of the Treasury department could be abolished without injuring the public service and that a million dollars a year would be saved thereby, has raised a commotion in the Government departments generally and almost a panic in the Treasury department. The official baronies whose highest ambition is to help some other official do nothing and draw a big salary for it, are up in arms and declaring that Secretary Foster knows nothing about it and that more officials not fewer are what is needed.

Not being familiar with the particular bureaux referred to by Mr. Foster, it would be folly to say whether he is right or wrong, but no business man who is familiar with the general methods of the Government departments can deny that with the exception of half a dozen bureaux where the work is peculiarly exacting—even there are throughout them all at least two men employed to do what one man would do in private employ. Why doesn't somebody reform these departments? the reader naturally asks. The task is too great for any one man. Every one of these thousands of hangers on to the Government teat has political influence, and many of them wield a powerful social influence, which is a lever that never fails to move things in Washington, and the moment that any head of a department lets it be known that he thinks of putting his department on a strictly business basis he is overwhelmed with obstacles placed by these various influences, and being only human, he soon gives up the unequal fight.

The greatest object in life of the old fossils who have for years controlled the routine work of the departments is to drill the new clerks that come in from time to time into their methods of doing everything by the slowest and most complicated and roundabout ways, and the new clerks soon fall into the habit of doing as little as possible and at the same time complaining of being overworked, just as the old ones do. While it would involve many individual hardships it would be the best thing that could happen for the country at large if, when the next President comes in on March 4, 1893, every employee of the Government high and low should be changed. The fossils would say that such a change would stop the wheels of the Government machine, but it isn't true. There is nothing in the administration of the affairs of this Government that a good business man is not capable of undertaking without a day's preparation. He wouldn't follow the antiquated methods of the fossils, but he would introduce new and better methods and put the departments up on the same footing as large private business establishments which would save many millions now wasted and at the same time greatly expedite the public business.

The news that is being received here concerning the Farmers' Alliance is constantly becoming more puzzling to the politicians in the old parties. For instance, a gentleman just returned from a business trip through Virginia, and who is a business man, not a politician, says: "The democrats are going to be surprised when the vote in Virginia is counted at the next election. The Farmers' Alliance and the republicans have joined hands against the democrats and many democrats believing that Cleveland will be the nominee of that party have announced their intention of joining the new combination, which will, in my opinion, elect at least five members of Congress and its electoral ticket." This is indeed news for it had been general-

ly supposed that in all the Southern States the Alliance and the democrats were working together, although in some of the States there is known to be considerable friction.

The Chilian insurgent steamer Itata, which a few weeks ago caused a decided difference of opinion to be expressed in the Cabinet, is again the subject of contention in official circles. Mr. Blaine from the first advised against pursuing the Itata on the ground that we had no right to interfere with her outside of our own waters, but on an official opinion of Attorney-General Miller backed up by the active support of Secretary Tracy, the administration decided to go for the steamer. Now it appears that the chances favor the court deciding against our right to hold the Itata and the opinion is expressed that should such be the decision and the insurgents ultimately succeed in getting control of the Chilian government we will be called upon to pay a big indemnity for having taken the Itata and brought her back to San Diego. There are some nice points of international law involved and the Chilians have engaged eminent American lawyers on both sides of the question.

Gave Away Her Baby.

St. Louis, July 9.—A sad case of betrayal, shame and the parting of a mother and her babe was told by a young girl at the Union depot yesterday morning. She came in on an early train from Versailles, Illinois, and was wandering aimlessly about the depot with a 2-weeks-old baby boy in her arms when an officer spoke to her. "I came to St. Louis to give my baby away," said the girl in answer to his questions.

She was referred to Mrs. Frazer, "The Stranger's Friend," to whom she told her story. She said she was 18 years of age and that her widowed mother at Versailles was well-to-do. She told her that she should not keep the child, that it would be a sin to raise it as she would, and then gave her money to pay her way to St. Louis and leave the baby at a home or with some family able to take care of it. Mrs. Frazer, knowing that the girl would dispose of the child by some means decided to give the little one a good home and told the mother to go to the Bethesda house, 917 Russell avenue. The girl took the baby there yesterday morning and signed papers giving it away forever. She returned to the depot and remained sitting in one of the benches all day, pale, sad-eyed and sickly, the object of pitying eyes. She remained in the depot until the evening train left for her home, and she departed more like a person walking or moving in a dream. The girl was 18 years of age, gentle-looking and neatly dressed. Her name was not asked by Mrs. Frazer, who did all she could to aid and shield the girl, and acted the part of "The Stranger's Friend," as she understood the meaning of the term.—Quincy Journal.

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The New Fish Law.

(Repealed Star.)
Through S. P. Bartlett, Secretary of the Illinois Fish Commission, we learn that we were in error in publishing the fish bill in our issue of June 26th as the one passed at the close of the late general assembly. The error occurred through a misapprehension as to there being any other bill before the committee that would likely receive its approval. When we learned that the governor has signed a fish bill which, from a brief mention of it in telegrams, we supposed to be the one then in our possession we gave in our columns. Through the kindness of Commissioner Bartlett we have been furnished a copy of the bill passed, which is as follows:

A BILL—For an act to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to amend sections one (1) and six (6) inclusive, and to secure the propagation and cultivation, and to secure the protection of fishes in all the waters of this State," approved May 31, 1887, in force July 1, 1887, and to provide for the enforcement of the provisions of this act approved June 3, 1880, in force July 1, 1880.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly, That section 1 of an act entitled "An act to amend sections one (1) and six (6) inclusive, and section fifteen (15) of an act entitled 'An act to encourage the propagation and cultivation, and to secure the protection of fishes in all the waters of this State,' approved May 31, 1887, in force July 1, 1887, and to provide for the enforcement of the provisions of this act, approved June 3, 1880, in force July 1, 1880, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

SECTION 1. That no person shall place or cause to be placed or erected any seine, weir, net, fish-dam, or other obstruction in or across any of the rivers, creeks, streams, ponds,

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PRINCE GEORGE, of Greece, who recently passed through the United States is inclined to be fast, but he doesn't carry a gambling outfit around him.

The visit of Kaiser Wilhelm to England is not calculated to make the Czar of Russia feel more kindly towards either Great Britain or Germany.

The suspicion is growing that the first landing place of Columbus was selected before the monument was sent out, and erected there, by the enterprising Chicago newspaper.

EX-SENATOR INGALLS is franker than most of the army of "exs." He confesses that he is a statesman out of a job, and intimates that he is anxious to resume business.

SWEET is the voice of the political siren when whispered into the ear of a member of any of the industrial organizations and many are the summer promises made only to be broken in winter.

READERS of the cable news of late have observed that United States has no monopoly in noisy and unruly legislative bodies. Language and custom may differ, but human nature is about the same everywhere.

THE "schisms" which are constantly being discovered in the Farmer's Alliance by those opposed to that organization, do not seem to retard the spread of the Alliance much. Perhaps they only exist in the minds of their discoverers.

It is a matter for regret that a question of veracity should have been raised between Secretary Foster and Grand Master Workman Powderly, of the Knights of Labor concerning the recent conference in relation to the seven Knights discharged from the Bureau of Engraving and Printing at Washington.

ONE of our most esteemed contemporaries prints a long editorial under the head: "Why the Chinese are unpopular." It might have saved space and at the same time have covered the whole subject by saying: "Because they are Chinese." It is the un-American characteristics of the race which have made it unpopular with Americans.

If the Hon. Henry Watterson, would express the same political opinions in the columns of his newspaper that he did to the literary societies at the University of Virginia the other day it might, do away with much of the partisan prejudice existing in his State. He said in his address at the University: "The issues which divide the parties are trifles as light as the air compared to those which the last quarter of a century has seen."

THOSE who do not believe that a newspaper often suppresses more interesting matter than it prints are, referred to the managing editor of the Philadelphia Ledger for proof of the statement that it does. He refused to print an alleged confession made by the thieving ex-Treasurer of that city because it dragged in the names of men who stood high in the community and whom he refused to believe guilty on the mere word of a self acknowledged thief. There is a lesson in this for those misguided persons who believe that editors are always ready to print matter that will make a sensation, no matter whose character may be wrongfully blasted. There may be a few editors of that kind, but to the honor of the profession it can be truthfully said that the great majority of editors are just the opposite, as they are constantly proving to the few who know of the highly sensational and interesting matter that is suppressed because it reflects upon persons who are presumably innocent, or upon those who are struggling to honorably lift down some past error.

WHY is it that the girl who always refuses to accept ice cream and soda water is the most popular with the boys?

It has been discovered that the law lately passed by the legislature permitting women to vote is void. The constitution of the state defines the qualification of a voter, and says he must be a male citizen, twenty-one years of age. The law is therefore unconstitutional. The next time the legislature meets it will have to submit an amendment to the constitution permitting a law to be passed, and in four years from now they can vote.—Ex.

Learn a Trade, Boys.

Ask the first bright boy you meet what he intends making his profession, and nine chances to one he will not be able to give you an idea of his plans simply because he hasn't any. Think of that poor boy's future. Life holds only drudgery for him in all likelihood, and by and by when the heat and burden of the day are on, when wife and children are dependent of his exertions, (for nothing deters men from marriage) the apathy of in difference will settle down upon his soul and he will go about some common task with the dejected mien of one at bay. His spirit will be utterly broken. His courage will pass. He fought well at first, perhaps, but knowing not how to use his arms, he was as one beating the air. His strength was given for naught. The evening cometh on and that man feels that the world has used him ill, that he has not had fair play, that the odds of life were against him. His philosophy of things will be of necessity a dark one. The mistake was in this, that having no settled calling he rushed nervously from this to that, seeking now here now there for something which would bring quick terms, looking first one way then another for a highway to success. Success has its highways. But before we can reach them there are some narrow flights or steep steps to climb, long, lonesome stairs where only a glimmer of light is visible and where the air is hot and stifling. The mother who prepares a future for her boys and her boys for the future is the parent of worth and of merit if not of greatness, for it is mothers who make our men.—Rural World.

An Uncommercial Traveler.

Among the latter day heroes in a quiet way a name has recently been enrolled as follows: "John Harrington, tramp." His was the spirit of genuine knightliness, of that sympathy for others which had long since dropped out of his own experience. He was nothing but a tramp, and, tramp-like, was stealing a ride on the train. It was the Erie passenger train that telescoped by the freight at Ravenna. But he proved himself a hero when the crash came and the fire broke out and death in its most terrible form glared upon the imprisoned victims. It was he—this tramp who was stealing a ride—this hapless, shiftless, friendless son of misfortune—this John Harrington, who after rescuing a lady from the Pullman sleeper, made brave hazardous efforts to save a nurse girl who was perishing in the flames. That he failed in this case is no discredit to the resolute, unselfish nobility of his purpose. He showed himself to have a heart bigger than a millionaire's, and a soul not as black as it had probably been painted.

Nature's Strange Breaks.

During a heavy rain-storm in Indiana a mud turtle as large as a man's hand fell from the clouds near Crawfordsville.

At Gordon, Ga., during a thunder-storm the other day a buzzard attempted to soar above the clouds, when he was struck by lightning and fell dead to the ground. The bird's body was badly burned.

There is a spring in Bear Valley, near Chambersburg, Pa., from the surface of which bubbles of sand and air ascend about ten inches and then burst. The spring is ten feet in diameter. The water is pure and refreshing.

An artesian well near Albert Lea, Minn., which spouts both oil and water, often changes the programme and sends out a stream of small minnows, which are wholly unlike any known species of fish found in that vicinity. During a severe thunder storm, recently at Anna, O., a bolt of lightning struck a daughter of E. Phillip Rugan. When picked up she appeared to be asleep and has since remained so, it being impossible to awaken her. She breathes heavily and her appearance is natural.

TRIAL OF J.H. CARVER, CLOSED.

A Separate Verdict Wanted from Each one of the Jurors.

After the Jury has been out for About Thirty Long Years each Juror finds Him Guilty as follows:

1. I find that his store is the cheapest in town.
2. I find that his stock is full and complete.
3. I find that his customers are treated well.
4. I find that everybody gets his money's worth there.
5. I find that his goods are the very best.
6. I find that his stock is the best in town.
7. I find that everyone goes there for bargains.
8. I find that that his prices are the lowest.
9. I find that the quality of his goods is the best.
10. I find that his store is the most popular in town.
11. I find good, honest goods at the lowest prices.
12. I concur with the others that the whole business is complete.

DECISION OF THE JUDGE!

Upon the verdict I find
J.H. CARVER GUILTY.
Of selling Dry Goods, Notions, Boots and Shoes, Clothing, Hats, Groceries, Queensware, cheaper than any house in the county.

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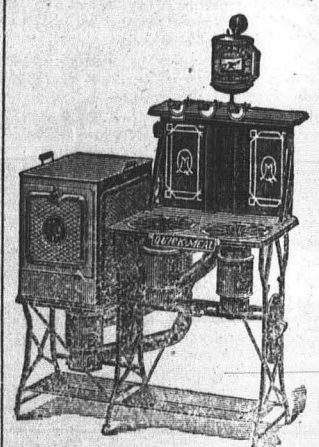
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Prices reduced on my entire stock

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THE NEXT 30 DAYS.

Wishing to close out my present stock preparatory to moving into my new store building which will soon be completed, and stocking up with the largest and finest line of BOOTS and SHOES ever before brought to Meredosia, I will make a great reduction on my entire stock now on hand for the next THIRTY DAYS.

FIRST - COME - FIRST - SERVED.

Children's Shoes 45 cts. per pair, former price 75 cents. Fargo's \$2.50 Shoe reduced to \$2.

Genuine Kangaroo Shoe \$2.75, former price \$3.50. Ladies Fine Kid Button Shoes at 95 cts. per pair. Ladies and Misses Oxford Ties proportionately low.

Men's Shoes at my shop. Ladies

Shoes at my residence.

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- Mixed Feed, \$1. cwt.
- Butcher's cows, \$2.00 to \$3.00.
- Subscribe for The News.

Ask for the Special 5c cigar at Purnell's.

-Dr. Ray and family were away on a visit Sunday.

-A party from this place were fishing at the Locks Thursday.

-Rease Lancaster, of Versailles, was in the city Sunday evening.

-Frank Price and Oscar Gemming spent Sunday in Beardstown.

-S. P. Bartlett, State Fish Commissioner, was in the city last week.

-Ed Brown, of Quincy, spent the day with Capt. Brown, of the Lotus, Friday.

-Geo. Baker and family have been spending a few days with Naples friends.

-Andrew Pool and Isaac Vandeventer, of Brown county, were trading here Saturday.

-C. T. Weaver and wife, of Mt. Sterling, were the guests of Miss Lettie Crawford last Friday.

-Purnell's old box saloon has been torn down the past week and he will soon begin his new brick.

-Tom Williams, fireman on the Lotus, is in Quincy on the sick list. Jim Cody is acting in his stead.

-Versailles parties have purchased a balloon and parachute and A. Yingling will make parachute jumps at the fair this fall.

-A new bar has been placed on the steamer D. H. Pike, and the passenger may now quench his thirst to his heart's content.

-Ida Grimes, Bertie Rea and R. L. Davis, Mt. Sterling society people were taking in the sights at this place between trains Saturday evening.

-Misses Maymie Keyser and Fay O'Neil, of Mt. Sterling, took the Pike at this place for Peoria last Thursday.

-Chas. Keyser, editor of the Democrat-Messenger, accompanied them here.

-A horse belonging to Henson Ravenscroft broke loose while hitched on the opposite side of the river last Friday and ran away, doing considerable damage to his buggy, harness, etc.

-To the smokers of this vicinity would say, I have secured the agency for Pyatt's Special 5c cigar, and invite all who love a fine smoke to try them. I also keep Pyatt's Lady Clare 10c goods.

C. H. PURNELL.

-The constant dripping of water will wear away a stone, the constant gnawing of Towser will paralyze a bone; the constant lover's a daisy, so thinks a trusting maid; and the constant advertiser is the one that gets the trade.

-A representative of the Democrat-Messenger had occasion to be in Meredosia between trains Thursday morning, and while there dropped in to see his friends, W. T. Hedenberg and Charles Stinson, publishers and proprietors of The Meredosia News, and spent a pleasant hour with them, going up the bay in a skiff to see some fishermen hauling in a seine from which a wagon load of fine fish were taken. Across the river was the government fish boat, the Lotus, which was visited and duly inspected under the guidance of Capt. Brown. This boat plys up and down the Illinois river guarding the fish interests and looking after the law breakers. It also supplies the fish cars that run through the interior country with fish from spawning grounds. The Lotus is a very neat little boat and it was with regret that we had to decline an invitation to enjoy a trip with the above named gentlemen to Maysville and return. Meredosia is improving—fine new brick buildings rising from the ashes of their recent fire. Messrs. Hedenberg & Stinson are meeting with deserved success in their business, and we wish for them continued prosperity.—Mt. Sterling Democrat-Messenger.

-Miss Mary Cody spent Sunday in Bluffs with friends.

-J. M. Ward, of Naples, was on business here Monday.

-The U. S. Lilly passed up the river Monday afternoon.

-Mrs. C. C. Keener visited in Beardstown the past week.

-Moses Root, of Versailles, was in the city Tuesday morning.

-T. K. Ball and wife spent Sunday with friends at Valley City.

-C. C. Keener moved his office furniture from the Pike Tuesday.

-Geo. Burrus and family visited his mother in the country Sunday.

-Pete Brackenbury is going to take his new palace boat to the Locks.

-Some of our boys discoursed sweet music about town Monday evening.

-Bring your legal advertising to us. Satisfaction guaranteed at reasonable rates.

-M. S. Lewinson made a business trip to Peoria via the steamer Pike this week.

-An application of paint would be an improvement to several of our business houses and residences.

-Mrs. Joe Summers and children went to Bedford Tuesday morning for a visit with friends and relatives.

-Chas. and Will Leeper and Doc Reische, of Versailles, and U. C. Bell, of Mt. Sterling, were in town Saturday.

-Invitations will soon be issued for an excursion and lunch party on the steamer Lotus to Valley City and return.

-Read A. E. Ritscher's ad. on the local page this week. He has reduced prices on his entire stock for the next thirty days.

-Read the trial of J. H. Carver just closed, on the editorial page of this issue. The jury after being out for thirty years find him guilty.

-The brick masons are putting the finishing touches on the new business house of Geo. W. Graham this week. Mr. G. informs us that he thinks he will be ready for business about the first of September.

-We learn from the Sunday School Record, of Jacksonville, that the County S. S. Convention will be held in Woodson, on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 11th and 12th. A two days program has been arranged and the services promises to be quite profitable.

-Meredosia M. E. Sunday School report with a complement of teachers. Ora Black having left for the summer. F. Price was elected to fill the vacancy. The school is reported as doing good and as being a blessing to the children and community.—Sunday School Record.

-Fencing for \$1.00 per hundred upwards at P. BAUMAN'S.

-Jacksonville has got the base ball fever bad. The Courier of Tuesday says: "The base ball fever has become epidemic. It has attacked the merchant, the clerk and shop men alike and they are all in the push." What's the matter with the Meredosia team? Lets go down and knock them out, boys.

-A branch of the Missouri Savings and Loan Association has been organized this week with the following officers and directors: A. J. Leslie, Pres.; J. E. Neville, Secy.; D. H. Lollis, Treas.; C. R. Ray, F. Elmsman, J. H. Carver, Chas. Heinz, sr., J. P. Baujan, Directors. This organization is a good thing and something we have long needed. Now that we have it, support it. Members will be admitted at any time.

-Smoke Pyatt's Special 5c cigar, at Purnell's.

-Ed Sargent had quite a little altercation with Jim and Dan Crawford in front of Geiss' saloon Tuesday afternoon, in which Jim was knocked out, and Dan received a bruise on either side of his head. Sargent was hit once in the head. Dan and Sargent were brought before Squire Ritscher and fined three dollars and cost, the whole amounting to \$4.35. Jim, as we go to press, is not able to appear for trial.

-Many years practice has given C. A. Snow & Co., Solicitors of Patents at Washington D. C., unsurpassed success in obtaining patents for all classes of invention. They make a specialty of rejected cases and have secured allowance of many patents that had been previously rejected. Their advertisement in another column will be of interest to inventors, patentees, manufacturers and all who have to do with patents.

H. H. Knollenberg's "New Fives," "Boat Clubs" and "Riverside Park" cigars are the very best in the city. For sale by all dealers. Give them a trial.

-We were favored with a good rain in this locality Monday.

-S. H. Lester, of Arenzville, was a caller at The News office last Tuesday. Come again Sam.

-M. S. Lewinson opened up this (Wednesday) morning in his new building with a new line of groceries, etc.

-Mr. J. H. Carver informs us that from Jan. 1, 1891, up to the 10th of the present month he has shipped 14,908 dozen eggs or 497 cases, and that returns amounted to \$1792.97.

-Joe Powder, who was arrested last Monday evening on the charge of purchasing \$10, was tried this afternoon and discharged, the evidence against him being mainly circumstantial.—Jacksonville Courier.

For Sale.

I have a new ice box (never been used) which I will sell at a bargain, also a second hand one which I will sell cheap.

C. H. PURNELL.

A Mighty Poor Gun.

The Mason City Independent says: "George Manel, whom 'twere base flattery to call a business idiot, created quite a sensation over in Virginia last week by attempting to blow the top of his head off in the presence of his sister and sweetheart. Manel held the gun, which was a 44-calibre, against his forehead and pulled the trigger, but while the aim was good the gun proved an awful failure, a disgrace to the gun fraternity. The ball cut a hole in the scalp, but flattened out against the skull bone. As a fool killer the 44-calibre is not a success. He'd do well to experiment with a cannon or dynamite."

Correct.

Gersh Martin, of the Press and People (Galesburg) proposes to boom the Columbian Exposition providing he receives a part of the swag, as the following will show.

OFFICE OF "PRESS AND PEOPLE," GALESBURG, ILL., June 16.—Department Publicity and Promotion World's Fair, etc. I have received several enclosures from you. If you want any of your articles published send me \$250 cash, because I might as well have a share of the divide. You want your fair advertised—then pay for it like white men and not like thieves. D'ye hear?

GERSH MARTIN.

Mr. Martin speaks right out in meeting and his voice has no uncertain ring. The afore mentioned Dept. can easily interpret the platform on which he stands—there is no reading between the lines.—Bowen Chronicle.

Quarterly Meeting.

The fourth and last quarterly meeting of the M. E. church for this conference year was held in this city last Sunday. The morning service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. G. F. Wolf. After preaching a very fine discourse he administered the Lord's Supper, giving the invitation to all members of other Christian churches that was in good standing. In the evening Presiding Elder Everhart preached a very intellectual discourse to an appreciative congregation. The Elder's claim was fully met by collection. As the conference year is drawing to a close and many of the preachers will be moved to other fields, we hope the present pastor, G. B. Wolf, will be retained at this place. The Sunday School connected with the church is in a flourishing condition and doing well.

A Liberal Proposition.

Who has not heard of that paragon of family papers, the enterprising and popular Weekly Detroit Free Press? For a generation its name has been a synonym for all that is excellent, pure and elevating in journalism. It is delightfully entertaining, without resort to cheap sentimentalism instructive without being prosy or pedantic. Combining the literary qualities of the expensive magazine with the bright breezy characteristics of the newspaper, it leaves nothing to be desired by the average reader. It is looked upon as a welcome visitor by every family who reads it, while thousands regard it as indispensable and would on no account go without it. An enormous circulation of 125,000 copies per week attests its wonderful popularity. Recognizing the fact that there are those who are unfamiliar with its surpassing merits as above paper, the publishers offer to send The Free Press to them for the balance of this year (over five months) for 30 cents—a club of four for \$1.00 or a club of ten for \$2.00. All our readers should subscribe at once. Sample copy Free.

We will send you The News and The Weekly Free Press for the rest of the year 1891, for 75 cents.

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THE MEREDOSIA NEWS.

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MEREDOSIA, ILLINOIS.

The statistician of the interstate commerce commission figures up just about 30,000 locomotives in the United States, which cost in the aggregate \$450,000,000. If connected they would make a solid train 300 miles long. To every five miles of road there is a locomotive.

There will hardly be much temptation to the farmers to form a wheat trust this year, even if there were any chance that a combination of this sort could be accomplished successfully. Prices will probably be high enough to satisfy the farmers without entering into any such risks as a cornering scheme would involve.

Owing to the high prices of the necessities of life the cost of living among the lower classes of Germany is becoming intense. Potatoes, the usual price of which is 15 marks per bushel, now cost 6 marks per bushel. Bread is becoming dearer every week. Every branch of commerce is suffering and many bankruptcies are announced.

Vermont was the first state to be admitted to the Union and joined to the original thirteen. It took place one hundred years ago and the centennial of the event is to be celebrated a few weeks hence. Vermont is a grand old commonwealth, and its arrival at the century age mark is an occasion which ought to be of interest to the whole country.

ITALY has been relieved by the promise of a British fleet to defend its coasts in the event of a war against France and Russia. Its coast is a long one, and the point in a conflict with a great naval power like France, but the terms of agreement of the triple alliance compel Italy to fortify its ports strongly while increasing its army.

CONORER LEVY of New York city, who signified his intention of causing the body of Smiler, electrocuted at Sing Sing, to be exhumed for the purpose of holding an inquest to determine whether he (Smiler) had died of his death in a lawful manner, has decided to forego his purpose, having become convinced that his powers stop short of interference with the work of the legally constituted state officials.

THE American World's fair commissioners having arrived in London have been promptly invited to enter upon the customary task of eating British dinners and breakfasts. No movement can be inaugurated in England, whether it be the arrangement of a May festival or the organization of an international exposition, without a dinner intervening at the initial stage.

The adjutant-general's department of the United States army gives out the information that since the policy of enlisting recruits for the service in the rural districts, in preference to the cities, was inaugurated the percentage of sections to the United States army has largely diminished and the material required by the army has vastly improved in quality and character.

The Chilean insurgents seem to have recognized the fact that the running away of the Itata from San Diego while under injunction from the United States authorities was a thoughtless piece of business, and have wisely surrendered the vessel and her cargo of arms and ammunition to the United States admiral at Iquique, whence she will be taken to San Diego for adjudication. The case will involve the laying down of a valuable precedent in neutrality usages.

The census office has issued a bulletin on the subject of paupers in almshouses in 1890, which shows a total of 73,045, as against 66,308 in 1880. These are divided according to sex and color, as follows: Number of males, white, 37,887; number of females, colored, 3,854; number of females, white, 36,191; number of females, colored, 3,113. In the number of colored persons given above are included 16 male and 30 female Indians and 12 male and 1 female Chinese.

A St. Louis merchant tailor who has been doing business for forty years, and who has catered to the fashionable tastes of the youth of the upper circle, has been compelled to assign, with rather wide discrepancy between assets and liabilities. The shortage will be explained when the assignee, later on, offers for sale the accounts of numerous society duds who make a practice of wearing fine clothes at the expense of any other kind of goods, and give them credit for that they do not possess—honesty.

According to European advices the pork-packing industry of the United States is likely to encounter a formidable rival in a company recently established in Russia, under government auspices, which has, through the means of imported experts and Russian citizens who have visited America, worked in the packing-houses and learned all of the most secret and valuable details of the business. The company is a plant in one of the most favorable localities in the czar's dominions, where, with cheap labor, it can turn out its products and place them in the continental markets far below the figures possible to the Americans.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Compiled from Various Sources.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

Report says that Lord Salisbury has offered to pay the Portuguese government 300,000,000 francs in consideration of the surrender to Great Britain of all the possessions of Portugal in south-east Africa.

A sensation has been caused, says an Ottawa (Ont.) dispatch, by the discovery that Sir John Macdonald in his will bequeaths his capital stock in the Canadian Pacific railway to his wife. The fact that the head of the government which gave the company about \$100,000,000 of public money had a block of its stock in the name of a New York broker shatters the idea of the personal probity and poverty of the old man.

On the 16th Prof. Mendenhall and Merriam, United States geologic survey commissioners, sailed from San Francisco for Alaska on the United States steamer Albatross.

The attorney-general of the United States has given an opinion that skilled employes of foreign exhibitors at the Chicago exposition who come to good faith for the purpose of setting up and operating the machinery of such exhibitors are outside of and not subject to the contract-labor laws of the United States. The same opinion is expressed with reference to clerks, stall-keepers and other persons coming to the United States for the sole purpose of aiding foreign exhibitors.

SAMUEL J. DIXON, of Toronto, Ont., walked across the Niagara bridge over the whirlpool, on the 17th, on a three-fourth-inch wire cable. The trip was first made from the Canadian to the American shore, and after a short rest he walked out a distance and performed difficult gymnastic feats. He afterwards performed the same feat near the Canadian shore. Over 15,000 persons witnessed the feat.

On the 15th Chief Justice Fuller, accompanied by his family, arrived at Tacoma, Wash., on a visit to Mrs. Hugh C. Wallace, a daughter. They will go to Alaska, where he hopes to remain till Tacoma some time.

An order has been issued by Acting Secretary Chandler providing for the extension of the lines of counties in Oklahoma so as to have each contain 700 square miles, and also providing for the subdivision of other lands into counties of about 700 square miles each.

On the 18th Thos. Crystal, aged 111, of Ironton, O., the oldest man in the state, died at the infirmary.

On August 31 ex-Senator Ingalls will leave with W. A. Crockett's autumn party for a trip through Europe to Greece, Egypt and the Holy Land. The party expect to be gone three months.

CRIMES AND CASUALTIES.

On the night of the 15th there was a remarkable series of fatalities at Rankin, Pa. A man committed suicide, the house he had lived in burned down from a lamp explosion and two children were cremated.

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The British steamer Conslig, from Marseilles, has been wrecked near the island of Cheduba, in the bay of Bengal. All on board were saved.

Mrs. A. W. WOOD, of Des Moines, Ia., was arrested by a United States officer, on the 16th, charged with depositing in the post office postal cards on which were written serious reflections on the character of another. She was placed under \$300 bonds by the United States commissioner.

A TERRIFIC storm struck West Superior, Wis., on the 16th, lasting about thirty minutes, during which a four-story hotel was razed to the ground and other buildings badly wrecked, six persons killed by falling debris and a number injured.

At Washington, Pa., on the 17th, an explosion of 200 pounds of nitro-glycerine, which blew S. J. Bigley, the driver, the wagon containing the explosive and a team of fine horses to atoms occurred. Bigley was 40 years of age, and leaves a widow and several children.

EDWARD D. WOLF, Clarence Murphy, Edward Dugan and William McDonald, ranging in age from 16 to 18 years, went out in a sail-boat at Hedgesville, on the evening of the 15th, and have not been heard of. It is feared that their boat was capsized in a squall, and that they were drowned.

AT 1 o'clock on the morning of the 18th fifty unknown men entered the jail at Springfield, and lynched Frank Dix, who was awaiting trial for the murder of Chaney. They hung him to the cell door and then quietly dispersed.

At Gosport, Ind., on the 18th, fire destroyed the Odd Fellows' building, one of the leading business houses and three dwellings. Loss, about \$30,000.

At Pond Creek, a mining village near White Haven, Pa., John Brogan, a miner, while blasting a rock, on the 18th, was caught by a fall from the 18th, while bringing a blast in the same mine, failed to reach a safe distance and was fatally burned.

ARTHUR ADAMS, aged 12, while riding horseback along the Eau Claire (Wis.) electric street car line, on the 18th, was thrown under a rapidly-moving car. The forward wheels crushed the lad to death, nearly severing his head.

The motorman, William Bartle, turned the current in the city, but the car could not be stopped in time.

On the 18th eleven persons were killed by the falling over the embankment of the Manchester ship canal of a ballast train. The accident occurred at Ince, a small place near the mouth of the River Mersey.

MISCELLANEOUS.

CANADIAN gruff fisheries are a failure this season, at least so far as the north-western and the Magdalen islands are concerned.

BUSINESS failures throughout the country during the seven days ended on the 17th, as reported to the mercantile agency of R. G. Dun & Co., by telegraph, number, for the United States, for Canada, 30; total, 37; as compared with a total of 247 for the week previous. For the corresponding week of last year the figures were 207, representing 187 failures in the United States and 20 in the Dominion of Canada.

A LETTER, who has been such for at least eight months and for seven of which he has been playing his vocation as a laundryman, has been discovered in New York city in the person of Chin Hoo Sing. The board of health has taken the case in hand.

Mrs. LITTLE has died a statement in her suit for damages against the South Fork Fishing and Hunting club of Pittsburgh, Pa. Mrs. Little claims in behalf of herself and eight children \$50,000 damages for the death of her husband, John A. Little, a traveling salesman, who was lost in the Johnstown flood.

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Mrs. A. W. WOOD, of Des Moines, Ia., was arrested by a United States officer, on the 16th, charged with depositing in the post office postal cards on which were written serious reflections on the character of another. She was placed under \$300 bonds by the United States commissioner.

A TERRIFIC storm struck West Superior, Wis., on the 16th, lasting about thirty minutes, during which a four-story hotel was razed to the ground and other buildings badly wrecked, six persons killed by falling debris and a number injured.

At Washington, Pa., on the 17th, an explosion of 200 pounds of nitro-glycerine, which blew S. J. Bigley, the driver, the wagon containing the explosive and a team of fine horses to atoms occurred. Bigley was 40 years of age, and leaves a widow and several children.

EDWARD D. WOLF, Clarence Murphy, Edward Dugan and William McDonald, ranging in age from 16 to 18 years, went out in a sail-boat at Hedgesville, on the evening of the 15th, and have not been heard of. It is feared that their boat was capsized in a squall, and that they were drowned.

At Nantucket, Mass., on the 17th, Charles Liverpool, of Washington, D. C., one of the crew of the United States survey steamer Endeavor, was drowned in the harbor while bathing by the steamer's side. He became exhausted, and before assistance could reach him went down. The body was recovered.

ILLINOIS STATE NEWS.

Lion Loose at a Circus.

Forepaugh's show exhibited at Rock Island the other day and gave a scene not performed on the bills. The afternoon performance was attended by some 6,000 persons. Just as the great crowd started to leave the big tent there was a cry heard at the entrance—"Lion loose!" The passageway out of the tent was packed with people, and back of them were more pushing to get out.

The alarming cry was repeated, and the circus employes were ordered to force the crowd back into the tent. Women shrieked and children cried, while men lost their heads in confusion. Pickpockets took advantage of the opportunity to do their work, and succeeded in several instances. One woman was carried to the nearest house and a doctor summoned. Others got off with bruises. That so few were hurt in such a stampede is a wonder.

The cause for the warning was not a lion, but a lioness. She was in the cage containing the lions with a piece of meat. Opening the door to throw the meat into the cage he failed, and the bloody bones dropped to the ground.

One of the lions made a dive after it and jumped out of the cage, but the lioness, who was in the cage, did not follow. She was held by loose pieces of iron fence until the crowd could depart. But it was some seconds before the crowd could be made to feel that the danger was over, and during the interval the wildest confusion reigned.

Men, women and children rolled under the canvas, while others climbed upon the benches, many of them shrieking as they did so.

State Charities.

The state board of charities has issued a statement showing the financial record of the state charitable institutions for the year ending June 30, 1891.

The total amount appropriated for the year was \$1,494,973.68, and the total amount expended was \$1,386,887.06, leaving a balance undrawn of \$108,086.62. Following are the amounts drawn from the treasury and expended by the several institutions:

Northern Hospital	.....	\$100,076.07
Southern Hospital	.....	165,739.18
Asylum for Insane	.....	1,059,509.19
Institution for Deaf and Dumb	.....	94,429.12
Asylum for Blind	.....	25,411.91
Asylum for Feeble Minded	.....	495,000.00
Asylum for Epileptic	.....	25,170.27
Eye and Ear Infirmary, Chicago	.....	134,486.87
Soldiers and Sailors Home	.....	134,486.87
State Reformatory	.....	1,000,000.00
Soldiers and Sailors Home	.....	134,486.87

Women Had No Right to Vote.

It is reported that the women who voted at the school election held at San Jose, Mason county, were previous for the reason that the question to be decided at that election was not such a question as contemplated by the law authorizing women to vote.

The election was held at San Jose, Mason county, on the 15th, for the purpose of deciding whether a school building should be built and whether bonds should be issued for the same. In an interview Senator Thos. C. Kerriek, of Bloomington, said that women in Illinois have no right to vote only at elections to choose school officers; that they are not permitted by the new law to vote upon the question of building schoolhouses, issuing bonds, etc. The recent election at San Jose was not valid, said he, unless the ballots cast by the women are determined to be thrown out, and the bonds will not be legal unless it be ascertained that the majority of the legal votes were cast authorizing their issue.

Good Wheat in Champagne County.

The wheat crop in Champagne county is turning out a great deal better than expected. A farmer near Tolono thrashed from ten acres 353 bushels by measure, which tested 63 pounds to the bushel. This wheat was of the Mediterranean variety. A grain-dealer states that most of the wheat averages 36 bushels to the acre, and tests 63 pounds. Charles Elobert, near Tolono, harvested a large crop which tested 64 pounds to the bushel. There is no poor wheat in the county.

Tramps in a Car of Ice.

As a small boy was passing some cars in the Illinois Central yards at Champagne he heard some one begging to be relieved. He ran to the cars and found a yardman, who proceeded to investigate. When a car loaded with ice was opened two half-frozen tramps made their appearance. They claimed they would have perished with cold and hunger if they had been compelled to remain in the car longer.

He Was Once a Refugee.

Dr. Gerard Chouteau, aged 65, died at Decatur. The deceased in 1894 went to Mexico county as a refugee from Alabama. He had practiced medicine near Boody and Blue Mount. He was a member of old fellows' lodge No. 595.

Dog Stung to Death by Bees.

George L. Evans, a prominent citizen of Burnside, had a fine bird dog stung to death by bees. The dog was chained near the hives, and in trying to rescue the animal Mr. Evans was surrounded by the swarm and badly stung.

BRAZIL AT THE FAIR.

Our Young South American States will be represented at the World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago in a Most Elaborate Manner—A Feeling of Friendly Rivalry Between the Brazilian States which will Stimulate the Work.

WASHINGTON, July 20.—Capt. Alexander Rodgers, the special commissioner of the World's Columbian exposition to Brazil, is now making a tour of the provinces, and sends the most encouraging reports as to the interest manifested in the fair.

On May 27 he was presented to the governor of the large state of Minas Geraes, who had already been advised by the federal government in regard to the visit of Capt. Rodgers, and a full conference was had. The governor showed great anxiety to do all that he could to promote the success of the fair in his state, and said he would at once appoint a state commission to carry on the work of securing a fine exhibit of its products. He proposes to ask the state congress for an appropriation of \$50,000, and is very much in earnest. Dr. Vega was appointed president of the commission.

Dr. Queiroz, the director of the school of mines, who was president of the commission to the Paris exposition of 1889, when this state sent the finest exhibit of any Brazilian province, takes a great interest in the coming exposition and will be of great service, as he is thoroughly acquainted with all the resources of the country.

There seems to be a strong feeling of friendly rivalry between the different states in Brazil, and they desire that the products of each shall be grouped separately. This will undoubtedly stimulate the state to make its exhibit good, and to make liberal appropriations. Persons having private collections can have them sent with the state exhibit, or with the government exhibit from Rio de Janeiro.

Two of the principal mines will make a special showing. Mr. Gifford, the director of the Paraguan mine, which has at present the largest output in Brazil, and Dr. Thiele, the director of the Tari mine, have undertaken to make large exhibits of ore, models of machinery, photographs, etc., and to get others to do the same.

Dr. D. N. Bortolotto, the special commissioner of the World's Columbian exposition to the River Plate countries, reports that the "Asociacion Rural del Uruguay," which had charge of the exhibit of that republic at the Paris exposition, will be designated to take charge of the business of collecting and arranging the exhibit at Chicago. The president of the society, Senor Federico R. Vidella, is an active promoter of agriculture and cattle raising by scientific methods, and the pioneer of viticulture in Uruguay. In his conversation with Dr. Bortolotto, Senor Vidella seemed to lay great stress on the agricultural features of the exposition, and stated that he wished to tend, not for the purpose of seeing the exhibition of growth and commerce, but to study new productions and methods which could be profitably introduced into his country.

Senor Vidella and the officers of the Uruguayan government who are interested in the exposition will receive the warmest reception of Mr. Thiele. Howard, the leading banker of Montevideo, who was formerly an officer in the United States navy.

A TALE OF WOE.

Russian Jews Detained at New York to be Returned to the Ports Whence They Came.

New York, July 19.—Thirty detained Russian Jews, awaiting the decision of the superintendent of immigration. One of them, Mendel Rogalski, aged 20, a carpenter by trade, tells a pitiable tale of his adventures and sufferings in Russia. He became a suspect while working at a trade in Riga, and to escape Siberia, which was inevitable in the event of his capture, he fled from city to city, but was constantly pursued. He was finally taken prisoner, beaten and in other ways treated most inhumanly, and prepared for Siberia.

He escaped and after much suffering and great hardships reached Hamburg, from whence he was assisted to this country. His savings of six years were taken from him by his captors in Russia and he came here penniless, hence his detention. He was very anxious to find that he will be returned to Europe after all his sufferings and arduous efforts to reach America. He says if he is caught in Russia he will surely be put to death. The other immigrants tell similar stories. The Jewish societies here are tenfold of these cases, and it is likely they will succeed in getting permission for their landing.

STONEWALL JACKSON.

Will Gather to Honor the Memory of the Old Christian Soldier.

LEXINGTON, Va., July 19.—The Jackson Memorial association which collected the funds to erect the heroic bronze figure of "Stonewall" next to the unvalued hero on Tuesday next to be unveiled here, with notices from all over the south indicating the purpose of many military organizations to be here on Tuesday, and find that the gathering will far exceed in point of numbers and prominence of a similar anything that has ever been.

The town is being decorated profusely with bunting and with national state and confederate battle flags. By to-morrow night everything will be ready for the great event.

THE MEREDOSIA NEWS.

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MEREDOSIA, ILLINOIS.

OUR MODERN AMAZON.

I'm trying on my armor, dear, with which my beauties are won. I can count some brilliant conquests before the summer sun has gone.

Here's a white dress and a lily-trimmed hat, and a parasol like a flower: They'll make my eyes look darker yet, as I fetch my prisoners home.

You would not think this simple silk, as light as a sea gull's wing, could bring down many a knightly heart in the lists of "summing."

And here's a fan—it is not smoke, but lace and ostrich feather; it will be watched by eyes that ask my fancy's wild and weather.

And here's a yachting suit that says, "I have been to sea." I'll wear an admiral, shall win engagements bold and brave!

And at this shoe, all tipped with gold, a trembling slave shall stoop—A rascal whom a rival queen lost in some waiting group.

In short, when autumn comes more hands the land with gorgeous hue, I shall come right back to town in triumph. Wouldn't you?

—JOSE HAWTHORNE LATROFF, in Harper's Bazar.

A JOKE THAT KICKED.

It Explains the Coolness Between Jones and Smith.

ERHAPS if you have been down to the Metropolitan club on Fleet street lately, you may have noticed that there is a coolness between Smith and Jones, who were once very intimate friends. This is all on account of one of Jones' jokes which kicked.

It isn't pleasant to have a joke kick, and this one kicked badly indeed.

Jones is a jocular sort of a fellow, while Smith is rather sad and has never been suspected of being a humorist. This is what makes his conduct on the subject of the Metropolitan club so inexplicable. People had got to look on Smith as a sober-minded person, upon whom a joke might be played with impunity. Jones is now of a different opinion.

It all fell out in this way. Smith and Jones and Brown and Robinson were walking together up Fleet street in the dusk of the evening. It was the day of a great race or a big prize fight or some large sporting event of national importance, and Fleet street was crowded.

People were standing in front of the sporting newspaper offices eager to see the latest bulletins, and Fleet street was a kind of a jam from Ludgate circus up to the Law courts.

Jones and Brown were walking on ahead and Smith and Robinson came up behind. Now Smith knew that Jones was walking together up Fleet street in the dusk of the evening.

Then Smith, although he is not very quick at noticing the point, saw how things stood. He put his hand into his own pocket and felt that his watch was still there. While his hand was in his pocket he slipped the watch from the chain, left the chain in his trousers pocket, and looked at his watch. By this time a policeman had arrived on the scene, and pushing the crowd aside, said:

"What's all this?"

"It's garrotting," said the tall man. "The policeman looked rather amazed. It seemed to him a remarkable thing that garrotting should be attempted in crowded Fleet street. The very disheveled appearance of Jones and his frantic efforts to escape, however, convinced the policeman that something was indeed wrong.

"Here, Smith," cried Jones, impatiently, "you know very well that this was only a joke. Tell this overgrown fool that that was the case. Tell the policeman so."

Smith did not answer, but those who have always thought there was no humor in his corpulent body were surprised when they knew what he did. He quietly pulled the watch chain out of his pocket and looked at his watch. "I suppose," he said quietly to the policeman, "there is no use in going further down the fellow's pockets to see if my watch is there."

"I'll see, sir," said the policeman, and at once he went through the pockets of Jones in a manner which showed that he knew his business.

"It isn't on him, sir," said the policeman.

"Oh, I say, Smith," appealed Jones, "don't let this go any further. Can't you satisfy him? Good gracious, just look at the crowd!"

"I'll escape through the crowd in less than half a second, and the very fact that there is a crowd will make Smith think that he has been taken in and done for."

"I wouldn't do anything like that if I were you," said Brown, cautiously, but Jones took him by the arm and drew him into one of the crowd and entered Fleet street, where they waited. Then he stepped out and going threw his left arm behind Smith's neck, looked robbily round him and began to bulge out and then gave a quick tug at his coat to make him think that a second and Jones bolted down Fleet street. The thing was over so suddenly that even Robinson did not recognize who had done it nor did he realize quite what had been done. He only saw a flash of light and when he recovered breath he said to Robinson:

"My God! I have been garrotted. I knew it would come some day." Then he looked down at the dangling watch chain, and seeing the guinea which he always wears there, he said in his place, he added: "Thank goodness, he has left me the watch chain, anyhow."

"Well," said Robinson, "let's lose no time in getting on the fellow's track."

"Oh, it's no use," replied Smith, doubtfully; "he has bolted."

So far the joke was a tremendous success, and even then Smith did not realize that his watch was not gone. The joke would have probably been a successful enough if it had not been for a tall, stalwart man who stood head and shoulders above the crowd and who was coming up Fleet street some little distance from where the occurrence took place. He saw it all, recognized the act and braced himself up.

When Jones came dashing down the street to escape up a coil of rope was sprang directly in his way and seized him by both lapels of his coat.

"You scoundrel!" he cried, "I've got your watch! I'll throw you on your back on the pavement in a moment if you try to escape."

"Escape, nonsense!" cried Jones; "it was only a joke."

"Yes, it's a joke you'll explain to the judge, my fine fellow. Here, somebody call a policeman!"

"Hang your policeman!" cried Jones, struggling to free himself from the iron grasp of the other, who merely shook him for his pains as a big Newfoundland dog would shake a rat terrier.

When Smith and Robinson turned back and saw Jones in the hands of the policeman, they were both surprised.

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THE end of a long strike—a home
rule.

SATAN is busiest when other people
are resting.

EVERY man has his price, but brides
are given away.

It is hard for a man to keep cool in
the heat of passion.

It is altogether likely that Sullivan
keeps a "scrap" book.

"Tight" men are very loose in their
habits as well as their legs.

You've got to raise the wind if you
want to be a heavy swell at the sea-
shore.

THE Lord has no use for the man
who is ashamed of his country, his
mother or his religion.

THAT was a considerate reporter
who, in writing of the demise of a spin-
ster of eighty said: "She died at an
advanced youth."

SAM JONES seems to have converted
200,000 souls. The Rev. Jones must
contemplate his future reward with
some apprehension. Think of being
compelled to wear a crown with 200-
000 jewels in it.

It's altogether too plebeian now-
days to ask one's best girl if she'll
have ice cream. That will never do.
Ask her if she'll have an ice and she
will recognize your superior elegance
at once.

A TOPEKA (Kan.) jury brought in a
novel verdict. A real estate agent
sued for the recovery of his commis-
sion on a sale he brought about. The
jury brought in a verdict against him
on the ground that, as he had no ad-
vertisement in any paper and had no
printed letter heads or cards, he was
not a real estate agent.

The body of Jeff Davis is to be re-
moved to Richmond, Va., where a
monument will be erected to him.
Richmond is eager to honor the pres-
ident of the confederacy, but it neg-
lects the presidents of the United
States. Presidents Madison and Tyler
are buried in that city, and their
graves are unmarked and neglected.

It is now fashionable for young
ladies to wear snakes of gold, richly
laid upon their wrists and bosoms.
A snake even when done in gold, is
not a handsome creature, but the fact
can be tolerated so long as the dear
girls do not usurp the masculine pre-
rogative and wear the plain, old fash-
ioned kind of serpents in their boots.
—Ex.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN was assassi-
nated while attending a theatrical
performance on the evening of Good
Friday and his colleague on the presi-
dential ticket, Hannibal Hamlin, fell
dead while playing cards, and with
the cards in his hand. We merely
press the button upon these facts and
leave the clergy, especially of a radical
turn of mind, to do the rest. It is a
little singular that three presidents,
Thomas Jefferson, John Adams and
James Monroe, died on the Fourth of
July, and to their names is now added
that of Hannibal Hamlin, vice-presi-
dent.

SOME one has written beautifully to
the boys in the following manner:
Here is a whole sermon in a few sen-
tences. Of all the love affairs, none
can surpass the true love of a big boy
for his mother. It is pure and noble,
honorable in the highest degree of
affection. I mean love that makes a
man gallant and courteous to his
mother, saying to everybody plainly
that he is fairly in love with her.
Next to the love of a husband, nothing
so crowns a woman's life with honor
as this second love, this devotion of a
son to her. I never knew a man to
turn out bad who began by falling in
love with his mother. Any man may
fall in love with a fresh faced girl and
the man who is gallant with the girl
may easily neglect the worn and
weary wife. But the boy who is the
lover of his mother in her middle age
is the true knight, who will love his
wife as much in the serene leaved
garden as he did in the daisied spring
fields.

A PITTSBURGH widow has had three
husbands, each of whom was over six
feet tall. She is a favorite with high
men.

ROBERT T. LINCOLN, minister to
England, and his wife entertained six
hundred American citizens at their
home in London on the Fourth of July.

OLD and young settlers reunion of
Mason and Cass will be held at Ker-
shaw's lake, Wednesday, July 22 under
the management of S. G. Johnson.
Doubtless a large crowd will go from
here.

THE statute of the state of Illinois
provides that every owner of hedge
fences must keep them cut back annu-
ally so that by October of each year
they shall not be over five feet high.
Failing to comply the owner is subject
to a fine of from \$10 to \$50 each year.

THE San Francisco Chamber of Com-
merce tendered a banquet to Hon.
Warner Miller, of New York. Ten
kinds of wines and liquors graced the
banquet table in honor of this widely-
known temperance representative of the
Republican party, and a morning
paper publishes a sketch of Mr. Miller
standing with wine-glass in hand, in
the act of speaking to a toast.

THE editor who wrote the following
understands what he is talking about:
"Most editors are acquainted with the
man who takes more papers than he
can read, and consequently has no use
for his local paper. He takes a paper
published in Portland, Maine. It con-
tains all the latest news about 'The
Smuggler's Last Cruise,' the adventures
of 'Big Moose, the Bandit King,' etc.,
and while he is storing his mind with
such useful information his wife is
reading back number almanacs. This
is also the man who wants fifteen line
local puff in your paper, just to fill up,
you know."

Ask any railroad engineer of what
he stands the most in dread while his
hands grasp the throttle and his en-
gine skims over the rails, through
cities, tunnels and over bridges, and if
you are of a sportive inclination it will
be safe for you to wager that his
answer will not be broken axels or rails,
weak bridges or a defective roadbed,
but children and a common every-day
drunken man. An engineer never
thinks of death; it is being startled
that he most dreads. Children and
drunken men turn up at the most in-
opportune and unexpected times, and
it is the idea of killing a fellow being
that sends his heart upon an explor-
ing expedition and his hair skyward.

THE "American tinplate" humbug
is evidently on the verge of petering
out. Not a single factory has yet be-
gun to furnish it for commercial con-
sumption. Mr. Niedringhaus, who ad-
mits that he is better prepared for the
work than any other American manu-
facturer, has laid in a year's supply of
Welsh tinplate, and now comes the
news direct from the Black Hills that
the alleged tin mines in that region
are frauds and that the Harvey Peak
vein, which was reported eight feet
wide and increasing in richness as it
went down, has been completely lost.
We challenge Mr. Niedringhaus or
any other member of the combine to
take down a map of the United States
and locate the spot where either a tin
mine or an American tinplate factory
is located.—St. Louis Republic.

William III.
William III., Prince of Orange was
invited to England to oust James II.
from the throne, a feat William accom-
plished with little trouble. He suffered
greatly with the asthma all his life.
He was the head of the alliance that
withstood the tyranny of Louis XIV.
of France. He declared war against
France and was to take command of
the allied force. Just as he was get-
ting ready he went out to ride one day,
when his horse stumbled over a mole
hill and threw the king to the ground,
breaking his collar bone. This gave
his system such a shock that his asth-
ma came back and he slowly sank and
died. If he had taken such a remedy
as Rold's German Cough and Kidney
Cure his asthma would have been
checked, and his system would have
withstood the shock. It contains no
poison. For sale by all druggists,
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Each one of the Jurors.

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Guilty as follows:

1. I find that his store is the cheap-
est in town.
2. I find that his stock is full and
complete.
3. I find that his customers are
treated well.
4. I find that everybody gets his
money's worth there.
5. I find that his goods are the very
best.
6. I find that his stock is the best
in town.
7. I find that everyone goes there
for bargains.
8. I find that his prices are
the lowest.
9. I find that the quality of his
goods is the best.
10. I find that his store is the most
popular in town.
11. I find good, honest goods at the
lowest prices.
12. I concur with the others that
the whole business is complete.

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Upon the verdict I find
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any house in the county.

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greater variety at once. You will save MONEY because the biggest store has
always the lowest prices, that's how it gets to be the biggest. You will save
TROUBLE and worry, because in the best store, conducted on modern prin-
ciples, there is only one price asked, one price taken. The largest and best
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WM. PATERSON.

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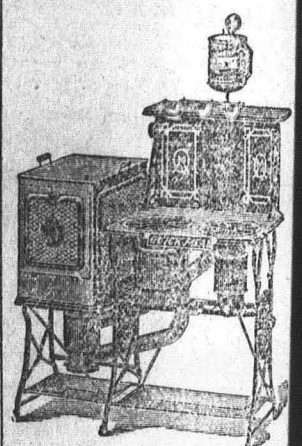
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ever before brought to Meredosia, I will make a great reduction
on my entire stock now on hand for the next THIRTY DAYS.

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Fargo's \$2.50 Shoe reduced to \$2.
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Ladies Fine Kid Button Shoes at 95 cts. per pair.
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Shoes at my residence.

A. E. RITSCHER.

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—George Hodges is laid up with a
sore hand.
—Nick Grether, of Mt. Sterling, was
here last week.

—Why can't we have an electric
light plant put in?

—Ask for Pyatt's cigars. For sale at
all leading stores.

—Jno. Neville made Versailles a
business trip last week.

—Miss Cad Reylard returned to
Jacksonville last week.

—Ed Irving, of Chambersburg, had
business in this place Saturday.

—Threshing has now commenced
in earnest. All the threshermen are
busy.

—Horace Fugate is spending the
week with his parents and friends in
Berlin.

—Charlie Stewart, of Versailles,
spent Friday in town looking up old
friends.

—Snoker: You will find Pyatt's Tar-
iff, New Fives and Indian cigars on
sale at Geo. Geiss's.

—Miss Carrie Jackson, of Griggs-
ville, was the guest of her family in
this place last week.

—Miss Emma James has returned
after a two weeks sojourn with friends
in and near Arenzville.

—Mrs. H. S. Hysinger daughter and
son, of St. Louis are visiting in this
place the guest of Geo. Graham and
family.

—A barn belonging to A. C. Burges-
ser, of Versailles, was burned Sunday
night, together with one horse and all
his hay and grain. Loss \$1,500.

—Mills Rydings, of Clayton, Marble
Works, was whiling away a few hours
here last Friday. He talks something
of starting a marble shop in this place.

—Misses Mamie Keyser and Fay
O'Neil, and Uz Byington, of Mt.
Sterling were in the city Tuesday
morning. They were on their way
home from Peoria.

—Miss Florence Ball, Mame Knolen,
Jessie Miller and Stella Summers,
and Frank Price, Nelson Bushnell,
Elmer Neville and Horace Fugate
spent Friday at the Locks. They re-
port a good time.

—H. H. Knollenberg's "New Fives,"
"Boat Clubs" and "Riverside Park,"
cigars are the very best in the city.
For sale by all dealers. Give them a
trial.

—S. D. Dills, of Golden, was in the
city last week and made us a call.
Mr. Dills is the originator of a large
manufactory under construction in
that place to be known as the "Golden
Specialty Manufacturing Company."

—Mrs. Chas. Heinz returned from a
visit to friends and relatives in Joplin,
Mo., Saturday evening. She was ac-
companied home by her daughter, Mrs.
F. M. Davis, of Coffeetown, Kan.

—Jno. Pyatt, that prince of good
fellows, of Jacksonville, was a caller
at THE News office last Saturday.
He was here for the purpose of talk-
ing cigars and tobacco to our mer-
chants.

—The chigger may chig with all his
might and the mocking bird mock and
sing, but the Illinois crops take the
cake, and corn, you bet, is king. The
cricket may crack, and the froglet frog,
and the farmer may chant his strain,
for the Illinois crop is always on top—
when there is plenty of rain. Chinch
bug may chinch, and the grasshopper
hop, and the hot winds make you tire,
but if any one says there are such
things here, just call him a horrible
liar. Oklahoma may boom, and Texas
howl, and Missouri shoot off her chop,
but this is the place to get a home and
raise a great big crop.

—There is no end to the blackberries.
—We had a nice rain Tuesday morn-
ing.

—Blackberries are selling at five
cents per gallon in Versailles.

—We understand that the Calhoun
will be running in a few days.

—The peach crop in this vicinity is
going to be immense this season.

Ladies Fine Kid Button Shoes 90
cents per pair at A. E. Ritscher's.

Fencing from \$1.00 per hundred up-
wards at P. BAUMAN'S.

—Read the new ad of Loomans &
Brockhouse in another column of this
issue.

—Chambersburg parties are hauling
a large amount of grain to this place
this week.

—Bush, of Brown county was in
town last Monday evening. Every-
body knows Bush.

Ladies Fine Kid Button Shoe with
patent leather tips, at 95 cents per
pair at A. E. Ritscher's.

—Frank White, of Versailles, was
in this place last week advertising the
great Brown county fair.

Baby's Kid Button shoes at 35 and 40
cents per pair, just received from the
factory at A. E. Ritscher's.

—Mrs. William Smithson, Mrs. Kate
Hessenkamp and Miss Ida Ellis, drove
over to Valley City last Sunday.

—Hiring your job work to the News
office. Our stock of envelopes, note,
letter and bill heads are complete.

—Mrs. Peak returned to her home
in Decatur last Tuesday, after a three
weeks visit with the family of J. H.
Carver.

—Miss Annice Powers, of St. Louis,
arrived on the steamer Pike Sunday
and will visit friends and relatives in
this place for awhile.

—Secretary Hatch will please accept
our thanks for a complimentary ticket
to the fourth annual fair of the Illi-
nois Valley Fair Association, to be
held at Griggsville, Aug. 10-14.

—Phil. Steinback, the gentleman
who has the brick contract for the new
hotel and opera house, informs us that
he will complete his part of the con-
tract this week.

—There was a game of base ball
played at Naples last Sunday between
the Naples and Perry Springs clubs.
The Naples done the Perry Springs
boys up in grand shape.

—Mrs. Chas. Geiss, after an extended
visit in this place with relatives, re-
turned to her home in Green Bay, Wis.,
last week. She was accompanied by
Miss Emma Geiss, of this place.

—Does your paper bear a blue cross?
If so your subscription has expired and
if you are requested to renew. Parties
living at a distance will remit at once
as the paper will be stopped when the
time for which paid expires.

—We are requested, by Geo. W.
Graham, to say to the party that was
prowling around his place at a late
hour last Thursday night, that he is
known. Mr. G. extends a cordial in-
vitation to him to call again. He says
he will put forth every effort to en-
tertain him for a few moments.

—While strolling around town last
Saturday we stepped into the store of
J. H. Carver, the old reliable, and
found John, Lou and Clarence, as well
as Mr. Carver, as busy as bees. They
are, and have been having immense
trade. We understand that their cash
sales last Saturday were near \$400.

—D. Schroll & Son have moved their
fish boat down the river and located it
at the foot of Union street. Daysaves
he has more orders for fish than he is
able to fill. In a single haul last
Tuesday they took out over 2,000 lbs.
If there is any fish in the river Ed.
Heaton, their foreman, comes very
near knowing right where they are to
be found, and will catch as many as
the next one. Ed. and his crew are
bustlers and don't you never doubt it.

—Many years' practice has given C.
A. Snow & Co., Solicitors of Patents
at Washington D. C., unsurpassed
success in obtaining patents for all
classes of invention. They make a
specialty of rejected cases and have se-
cured allowance of many patents that
had been previously rejected. Their
advertisement in another column will
be of interest to inventors, patentees,
manufacturers and all who have to do
with patents.

—A man named Watts, flagman,
was thrown down at a crossing in
Galesburg, Saturday last, and one of
his legs was cut off. Those who wit-
nessed the accident rushed to him, to
tenderly carry his mutilated body to a
safe place and attend to his wounds.
But when they reached him the man
was very indignant over the loss of his
leg and was swearing in great style—
his leg was a wooden one and was also
a new one. And the bystanders smiled
a sickly smile.—Caution Ledger.

—The carpenters and plasterers are
at work on Graham's new building.

—J. P. Hartman, Versailles postmas-
ter, was spending a few hours in town
Tuesday.

—Herman Hobrock, one of Oxvilles
best citizens, was in Meredosia last
Saturday.

—Frank Price took a bath—fell out
of the bath—while coming home from
the Locks last Friday.

—The brick have arrived for the
walk on Main street and work will be
commenced in a few days laying them.

—When you have a fine watch that
needs cleaning or repaired, take it to
Sewt. Harris, the world beater on that
kind of work.

—A Mr. Hennis has purchased the
property of William Neilman in the
south part of town, and will occupy
the same this fall.

—Jas. Bradbury, of Versailles, was
here Monday evening. He took the
Pike for Campsville where he has
taken a position on the Locks.

—Miss Jennie Andro left last week
for her home in Berlin Wis., after
visiting several months with her
cousin, Miss Hattie Andro in this place.

—Capt. Pasteur, of the Rossville
Press, gives Chas. W. Davis, at one
time editor of the defunct Meredosia
Commercial, and who now edits and
publishes the Ridge Farm Times, the
following rather rough, though per-
fectly true, hit: "Chawles W. Davis,
the tack-headed soddog and typo-
graphical guerrilla who pollutes the at-
mosphere of Ridge Farm society and
edits (2) the times at that place, takes
us to task for republishing the old
chestnut about the 'girl with the No.
1 foot jammed into a No. 5 shoe and
the boy with a stone bruise on his left
heel being present at all the 4th of
July celebrations." On one or two oc-
casions has this "wart" on the good
people of Elwood prodded us and seems
to seek newspaper notoriety. He, the
said, "wart," deserted a wife and two
children at Meredosia, Ill., and she is
obliged to support herself and two
children by taking in washing. No
doubt this wronged woman would
like to have shoes regardless of size,
weight or color. We have a letter
from her in our possession which states
she has a very hard time of it with
two sickly children to provide for. A
man who is so inhuman as to leave a
family utterly destitute should not
have the respect of respectable people
and should have a stone bruise some-
where on his anatomy made by a No.
10 boot. We may have occasion to
again refer to this matter more em-
phatically in the future and publish
the deserted wife's letter."

Don't Treat Boys.

The following amendment to the
Illinois liquor law went into effect
July 1st:

Every person, whether the keeper of
a dramshop not, who shall buy or in
any manner procure any wine, rum,
brandy, gin, whisky, lager beer, hard
cider, or any other vinous, malt, spi-
rituous, fermenting or mixed liquors,
whenever for any minor or parents,
or guardian, or family physician, or
shall procure or aid in procuring any
such liquors for any person intoxi-
cated, shall for each offense be fined not
less than \$20 nor more than \$100, or
confined in the county jail not less
than ten nor more than thirty days, or
both in discretion of the court.

The Meredosian News.
W. T. HEDENBERG. C. W. STINSON.
PUBLISHERS.
THURSDAY, JULY 30, 1891.
Entered in the Postoffice at Meredosia, Ill., as Second Class Mail Matter.
Advertising rates made known upon application.
TERMS: \$1.25 A YEAR, IN ADVANCE.

MR. POLITICIAN: Give, oh give, us a rest, or at least until cool weather.

THE Ohio campaign this year seems to be a sort of "Billy" and "Jimmy" affair.

"The story of Mr. Blaine's illness," is getting just a little monotonous, notwithstanding it is different every time it is printed.

It is not encouraging to old maids, but it is nevertheless true that the marriage rate is constantly decreasing in this and other countries.

In view of the failure of the European crops, and the prospective high prices for American cereals, it would seem that our greatest present need is, more harvesting and less politics.

WHEN Germany becomes a republic and Kaiser Wilhelm loses his job he might utilize his recent experience by becoming a theatrical "lightning change artist," retaining his present extensive wardrobe.

BEFORE making up your mind that there are no good people in Philadelphia, as one is apt to do after reading up recent financial occurrences in that city, it is well to think of the adage: "The devil is not so black as he is painted."

ACCORDING to Senator Hale reciprocity is to be the main issue in the Presidential fight and the Farmer's Alliance will support the republican ticket. It is but fair to state that Mr. Hale is not what he is called an unrepentant prophet.

THE Senate sub-committee which is engaged in finding out the effect of the McKinley tariff on things in general is now at Narragansett Pier, presumably to study what effect the law has had upon the gorgeous bathing suits of the shapely girls who have made that resort famous.

FROM the Colchester Independent we learn that between 35 and 40 head of cattle had died the present season of supposed hydrophobia in the townships of Bethel, Lamoine, Birmingham and Brooklyn. This stock represents more real value than all the dogs in Christendom.

WE don't know how much Sam Small, the ex-newsman and present evangelist, knows about it but he said to a big crowd in New York: "I want to say that no man with the whiskey record of David Bennett Hill will ever get the vote of the South in the democratic National convention."

AT this season of the year all Government property, no matter how insignificant in value, that happens to be located in the mountains or upon the seashore is discovered by the powers that be, to be in immediate need of inspection, and it usually takes one or more cabinet officers and a party of friends to do the inspecting, and Uncle Sam he pays the bills.

THE free coinage bomb from the Ohio democratic convention has made another big hole in the already ragged sails of skipper Cleveland's nomination yacht; which has been in a bad way for some months. It is extremely doubtful whether new sails can be procured in time for the now disabled yacht to enter the great race for the Presidential cup.

IF Canada is ever to come into Uncle Sam's family circle now is the time to bring about the change. Canada is ripe for a revolution. Whiskey has just been advanced from 5 to 10 cents per glass, and only 12 oz. of beer hereafter can be bought for a nickel. Now is the time for action. Let us strike while the Canuck is hot.

THINGS that are seldom found: An honest and faithful politician; a newspaper that hasn't the largest circulation; the fellow who gets licked in the scrapping match; the girl who refuses an eligible offer of marriage; the merchant who does not carry the largest stock and sell at the lowest prices; the boiler that wasn't all right just before the explosion; the farmer who doesn't raise the finest stock and the best crops in his neighborhood; a dude with brains; a banker who favors Farmer's Alliance principles; and the man that knows when the old gun is loaded.

The Grant monument in New York hasn't been built, and it is not at all certain that it ever will be, but the announcement is made that the committee will place on sale about the first of September a large engraving showing the monument and grounds as they will appear when the former is completed. An engraving showing the present bare condition of the grounds ought to entice more subscriptions.

"UNCLE JOE CANNON" who was left at home by his constituents last year, must be laying the wires to become a Congressional candidate again next year. At least it is fair to presume so from the announcement that he has purchased three newspapers in his district. But, come to think of it, there is a possibility that he was compelled to take the papers in order to get even for money advanced them during his last campaign.

A New Bug.

A man at Forest has discovered a new insect which is about one and one-half inches in length, body and wings blue-black, and has a bright yellow head and smaller. The most noticeable characteristic, however, is a boring needle six inches in length, with a tiny saw at the extreme end and located on the tail of the insect. This is flanked on either side by supporters about five inches in length, which it uses to brace itself in boring. The boring apparatus is black and the supporters brown. Mr. Pinkney, the discoverer of the insect, found it attached to a green maple with its boring needle inserted in the wood about five inches. Considerable difficulty was experienced in capturing the insect. It was sent by express to Prof. Forbes, the state entomologist for examination.

Strong People.

It has frequently been remarked that healthy people, those of robust physique, and possessed of great physical strength, are much sicker when they are sick than delicate people and invalids. The reason is that a robust person neglects himself until his physical energies are utterly exhausted before he attempts to obtain relief; while a constitutional invalid takes care of himself at first attack of disease and thus lives longer than his far stronger brother. The secret of living is to look after the first symptoms. When you take cold get a bottle of Reid's German Cough and Kidney cure and you will soon get well. It is the neglect of these things that leads to danger. A cold in the spring is more dangerous than in winter because it is apt to linger all summer. It contains no poison. For sale by all druggists, 25 and 50 cents a bottle.

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For Sale.

I have a new ice box (never been used) which I will sell at a bargain, also a second hand one which I will sell cheap. C. H. PURNELL.

An Enterprising Man.

MACON, Mo., April 10, 1891.
Queen City Silver and Nickel Plating Co., East St. Louis, Ill. "I read Mrs. Bailey's experience selling games and am tempted to give my experience. I paid \$5.00 for one of Queen Platers, for plating gold, silver or nickel. I had no trouble to get all the knives, and forks, spoons, casters and jewelry I could plate. The first week I made \$27.00 clear profit; the second \$45.00 per week. I have advised a number of my friends to try this business and they are all doing well. The machine is complete and does the work rapidly. I can make as much selling Platers as plating. Hoping my experience will benefit others, I am yours truly,
B. G. STROCKEY."

If you want to make more clear money than you ever made in your life, send for circular and price of the Queen Platers; for gold, silver, nickel, copper and brass plating can be used by any one. Plates beautiful and equal to the finest new work. Every class of goods, or metals, \$20 a day can easily be made. Address,
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READ! COME! BUY!

Stock No.	Coat & Vest.	Pants.	Closing Price.	Worth.
9213.	34.	32x31.	3 25.	5 50.
Five Suits.	36.	32x32.	3 25.	5 55.
"	37.	32x32.	3 25.	5 50.
"	38.	32x32.	3 25.	5 50.
"	39.	32x32.	3 25.	5 50.
3589.	36.	34x31.	3 90.	6 00.
Five Suits.	37.	32x31.	3 90.	6 00.
"	38.	32x31.	3 90.	6 00.
"	39.	32x31.	3 90.	6 00.
One Only.	1440.	35.	2 90.	4 00.
One Only.	1499.	35.	3 80.	5 50.
One Only.	1838.	35.	3 90.	6 00.
One Only.	7888.	35.	3 90.	6 00.
One Only.	2587.	35.	4 00.	6 75.
One Only.	7888.	35.	3 90.	6 70.
4617.	35.	30x32.	5 25.	7 50.
Four Suits.	36.	32x32.	5 25.	7 50.
"	37.	32x32.	5 25.	7 50.
"	38.	32x32.	5 25.	7 50.
1372.	36.	32x32.	5 50.	7 50.
Three Suits.	37.	32x32.	5 50.	7 50.
"	38.	32x32.	5 50.	7 50.
4832.	36.	32x32.	6 00.	8 50.
Four Suits.	37.	32x32.	6 00.	8 50.
"	38.	32x32.	6 00.	8 50.
"	39.	32x32.	6 00.	8 50.
1733.	34.	30x31.	6 00.	8 75.
Three Suits.	35.	30x31.	6 00.	8 75.
"	36.	30x31.	6 00.	8 75.
7004.	36.	32x32.	8 25.	12 00.
Four Suits.	37.	32x32.	8 25.	12 00.
"	38.	32x32.	8 25.	12 00.
"	39.	32x32.	8 25.	12 00.
One Only.	2732.	34.	7 25.	10 00.
"	4832.	35.	6 00.	8 50.
Two Suits.	7480.	39.	8 75.	11 00.
"	40.	39x34.	8 75.	11 00.
One Only.	6491.	35.	8 90.	12 00.
"	6448.	35.	8 90.	12 00.
"	4355.	38.	9 00.	12 50.
"	7011.	40.	9 95.	13 00.
"	872.	42.	11 50.	15 00.
"	2032.	39.	11 10.	15 00.

BOY'S SUITS.

Stock No.	Age.	Closing Price.	Worth.
One Only.	5159.	17.	\$2 90.
"	29014.	12.	3 15.
"	28252.	17.	3 15.
"	28181.	17.	3 15.
"	20014.	12.	3 15.
"	5151.	17.	3 00.
"	9035.	18.	3 50.
"	9035.	18.	3 50.
"	122.	14.	2 75.
"	40949.	17.	3 90.
"	40949.	18.	3 90.
"	5732.	17.	4 00.
"	148.	15.	6 00.

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25 gallons Pure Headlight Oil.	40.
Pure cider Vinegar per gallon.	25.
4 boxes Magnolia Axle Grease.	25.
Brooms from.	10 to 30.
Raisins per lb.	10.
Prunes per lb.	10.
1 lb can Baking Powder.	10.
2 1/2 lb can New Jersey Sweet Potatoes.	25.
3 lb. can Apples.	25.
Flour per barrel.	5 00.

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Shoes at my residence.

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-Flour 81.25.
-Butter, 12 1/2c.
-Bran, 80c. cwt.
-Coarse Feed, \$1.40 cwt.
-Shipstuf, \$1. cwt.
-Hogs, \$4.75.
-Potatoes, 75c.
-Sweet Potatoes, \$2.00.
-Mixed Feed, \$1.40 cwt.
-Butcher's cows, \$2.25 to \$2.50.
-Chas. French and son of Chapin, were in town Friday.

-George Barfield, of Naples, was in town on business Friday.

-Tom Keener spent Sunday in Naples with his best girl.

-Mrs. Barfield and son, Jim, were trading in town Saturday.

-Miss Beulah Abrams visited her sister Mrs. Neville Monday.

-Mr. Jim Hamilton, of Naples, was in town Saturday and Sunday.

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-Mrs. S. A. Boles and children, of Garwin, Iowa, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Heinz, sr.

-Last Thursday evening Geo. Cross erected a bay window over the right optic of Fatty Ferris. George is on to his job and does good work.

-The old settlers of Cass and Morgan counties will hold their 23d annual reunion at the fair grounds in Jacksonville on Thursday, July 30.

H. H. Knollenberg's "New Fives," "Boat Clubs" and "Riverside Park," cigars are the very best in the city. For sale by all dealers. Give them a trial.

-A Jacksonville young lady has hit a novel, though certain, plan for filling her dime saving bank. She charged her best bean 10 cent for every time he kissed her. A new bank had to be purchased after a few evening's trial.

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TERMS: \$1.25 A YEAR, IN ADVANCE.

MR. POLITICIAN: Give, oh give, us a rest, or at least until cool weather.

The Ohio campaign this year seems to be a sort of "Billy" and "Jimmy" affair.

"The story of Mr. Blaine's illness," is getting just a little monotonous, notwithstanding it is different every time it is printed.

It is not encouraging to old maids, but it is nevertheless true that the marriage rate is constantly decreasing in this and other countries.

In view of the failure of the European crops, and the prospective high prices for American cereals, it would seem that our greatest present need is, more harvesting and less politics.

When Germany becomes a republic and Kaiser Wilhelm loses his job he might utilize his recent experience by becoming a theatrical "lightning change artist," retaining his present extensive wardrobe.

Before making up your mind that there are no good people in Philadelphia, as one is apt to do after reading up recent financial occurrences in that city, it is well to think of the adage: "The devil is not so black as he is painted."

According to Senator Hale reciprocity is to be the main issue in the Presidential fight and the Farmer's Alliance will support the republican ticket. It is but fair to state that Mr. Hale is not what might be called an unprejudiced prophet.

The Senate sub-committee which is engaged in finding out the effect of the McKinley tariff on things in general is now at Narragansett Pier, presumably to study what effect the law has had upon the gorgeous bathing suits of the shapely girls who have made that resort famous.

From the Colchester Independent we learn that between 35 and 40 head of cattle had died the present season of supposed hydrophobia in the townships of Bethel, Lamoine, Birmingham and Brooklyn. This stock represents more real value than all the dogs in Christendom.

We don't know how much Sam Small, the ex-newspaper man and present evangelist, knows about it but he said to a big crowd in New York: "I want to say that no man with the whiskey record of David Bennett Hill will ever get the vote of the South in the democratic National convention."

At this season of the year all Government property, no matter how insignificant in value, that happens to be located in the mountains or upon the seashore is discovered by the powers that be, to be in immediate need of inspection, and it usually takes one or more cabinet officers and a party of friends to do the inspecting, and Uncle Sam he pays the bills.

This fine cottage built from the Ohio democratic convention has made another big hole in the already ragged sails of skipper Cleveland's nomination yacht; which has been in a bad way for some months. It is extremely doubtful whether new sails can be procured in time for the now disabled yacht to enter the great race for the Presidential cup.

If Canada is ever to come into Uncle Sam's family circle now is the time to bring about the change. Canada is ripe for a revolution. Whiskey has just been advanced from 5 to 10 cents per glass, and only 12 oz. of beer after can be bought for a nickel. Now is the time for action. Let us strike while the Canuck is hot.

Those that are seldom found: An honest and truthful politician; a newspaper that hasn't the largest circulation; the fellow who gets licked in the scrapping match; the girl who refuses an eligible offer of marriage; the gentleman who does not carry the largest stock and sell at the lowest prices; the boiler that wasn't all right just before the explosion; the farmer who doesn't raise the finest stock and the best crops in his neighborhood; a dude with brains; a banker who favors Farmer's Alliance principles; and the man that knows when the old gun is loaded.

The Grant monument in New York hasn't been built, and it is not at all certain that it ever will be, but the announcement is made that the committee will place on sale about the first of September a large engraving showing the monument and grounds as they will appear when the former is completed. An engraving showing the present bare condition of the grounds ought to entice more subscriptions.

"UNCLE JOE CANNON" who was left at home by his constituents last year, must be laying the wires to become a Congressional candidate again next year. At least it is fair to presume so from the announcement, that he has purchased three newspapers in his district. But, come to think of it, there is a possibility that he was compelled to take the papers in order to get even for money advanced them during his last campaign.

A New Bug.

A man at Forest has discovered a new insect which is about one and one-half inches in length, body and wings blue-black, and has a bright yellow head and smaller. The most noticeable characteristic, however, is a boring needle six inches in length, with a tiny saw at the extreme end and located on the tail of the insect. This is flanked on either side by supporters about five inches in length, which it uses to brace itself in boring. The boring apparatus is black and the supporters brown. Mr. Pinkney, the discoverer of the insect, found it attached to a green maple with its boring needle inserted in the wood about five inches. Considerable difficulty was experienced in capturing the insect. It was sent by express to Prof. Forbes, the state entomologist for examination.

Strong People.

It has frequently been remarked that healthy people, those of robust physique, and possessed of great physical strength, are much sicker when they are sick than delicate people and invalids. The reason is that a robust person neglects himself until his physical energies are utterly exhausted before he attempts to obtain relief; while a constitutional invalid takes care of himself at first attack of disease and thus lives longer than his far stronger brother. The secret of living is to look after the first symptoms. When you take cold get a bottle of Reid's German Cough and Kidney cure and you will soon get well. It is the neglect of these things that leads to danger. A cold in the spring is more dangerous than in winter because it is apt to linger all summer. It contains no poison. For sale by all druggists, 25 and 50 cents a bottle.

SYLVAN REMEDY CO., Peoria Ill.

For Sale.

I have a new ice box (never been used) which I will sell at a bargain, also a second hand one which I will sell cheap.

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B. G. SPOCKEY."

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Stock No.	Coat & Vest.	Pants.	Closing Price.	Worth.
9213.	34	32x31.	3 25	5 50
Five Suits.	36	32x32.	3 25	5 55
"	37	32x32.	3 25	5 50
"	38	32x32.	3 25	5 50
"	37	34x33.	2 25	5 50
3589.	36	34x31.	3 00	6 00
Five Suits.	36	33x30.	3 00	6 00
"	37	35x33.	3 00	6 00
"	38	35x33.	3 00	6 00
"	38	36x33.	3 00	6 00
One Only.	1440.	no pants.	2 00	4 00
One Only.	1099.	31x31.	3 80	5 50
One Only.	1838.	35	3 00	6 00
One Only.	7888.	35	3 00	6 00
One Only.	2587.	39	4 00	6 75
One Only.	7888.	39	3 90	6 75
4817.	35	30x32.	5 25	7 50
Four Suits.	36	38x35.	5 25	7 50
"	34	32x30.	5 25	7 50
"	33	31x31.	5 25	7 50
1372.	36	32x32.	5 50	7 50
Three Suits.	37	33x33.	5 50	7 50
"	40	35x33.	5 50	7 50
4832.	36	32x32.	6 00	8 50
Four Suits.	35	31x31.	6 00	8 50
"	37	33x33.	6 00	8 50
"	34	30x30.	6 00	8 50
1733.	34	30x31.	6 00	8 75
Three Suits.	40	36x34.	6 00	8 75
"	42	40x33.	6 00	8 75
7004.	36	33x33.	8 25	12 00
Four Suits.	37	33x34.	8 25	12 00
"	37	33x35.	8 25	12 00
"	34	32x29.	8 25	12 00
One Only.	2752.	34	7 25	10 00
4832.	33	34x32.	6 00	8 50
7480.	39	38x32.	8 75	11 00
Two Suits.	40	36x34.	8 75	11 00
One Only.	6491.	35	8 00	12 00
6448.	38	34x34.	8 00	12 00
4358.	38	34x33.	9 00	12 50
761.	40	35x31.	9 05	13 00
872.	42	40x33.	11 50	15 00
2032.	39	33x33.	11 10	15 00

BOY'S SUITS.

Stock No.	Age.	Closing Price.	Worth.
One Only.	5150.	17	\$2 90
"	20014.	12	3 15
"	22825.	17	3 15
"	28181.	17	3 15
"	20014.	12	3 15
"	5151.	17	3 00
"	9935.	17	3 50
"	9935.	18	3 50
"	122.	14	2 75
"	40949.	17	3 00
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"	8792.	17	4 00
"	148.	15	6 00

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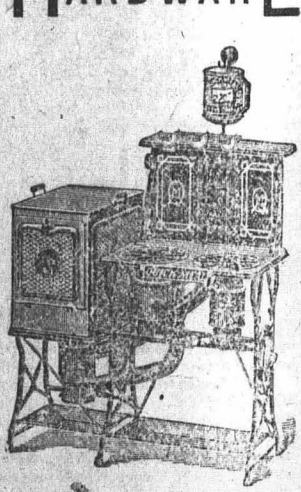
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20 lbs Light Brown Sugar.....	1 00
20 lbs Best Coffee.....	1 00
All kinds package coffee per package.....	25
Best Perfection drip syrup per gallon.....	25
2 gallons Pure Headlight Oil.....	40
2 gallons Pure Vinegar per gallon.....	25
4 boxes Magnolia Axle Grease.....	20
Brooms from.....	10 to 30
Baisins per lb.....	10
1 lb can Baking Powder.....	10
2 lbs can New Jersey Sweet Potatoes.....	25
3 lbs can Apples.....	25
Flour per barrel.....	5 00

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FIRST - COME - FIRST - SERVED.

Children's Shoes 45 cts. per pair, former price 75 cents.

Fargo's \$2.50 Shoe reduced to \$2.

Genuine Kangaroo Shoe \$2.75, former price \$3.50.

Ladies Fine Kid Button Shoes at 95 cts. per pair.

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Shoes at my residence.

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-Oats, 25 to 3c.	
-Corn 50c.	
-Meal, 80c.	
-Eggs 10c.	
-Wheat 76c.	
-Flour, \$1.25.	
-Butter, 12c.	
-Bran, 80c. cwt.	
-Coarse Feed, \$1.40 cwt.	
-Shipstuf, \$1. cwt.	
-Hogs, \$4.75.	
-Potatoes, 75c.	
-Sweet Potatoes, \$2.00.	
-Mixed Feed, \$1.40 cwt.	
-Butcher's cows, \$2.25 to \$2.50.	
-Chas. French and son of Chapin, were in town Friday.	
-George Barfield, of Naples, was in town on business Friday.	
-Tom Keener spent Sunday in Naples with his best girl.	
-Mrs. Barfield and son, Jim, were trading in town Saturday.	
-Miss Beulah Abrams visited her sister Mrs. Neville Monday.	
-Mr. Jim Hamilton, of Naples, was in town Saturday and Sunday.	
-Tom Williams has returned and taken his position on the Lotus.	
-Ladies Fine Kid Button Shoes 90 cents per pair at A. E. Ritscher's.	
-Fencing from \$1.00 per hundred upwards at P. BAUJAN'S.	
-Horace Fugate has returned from a weeks visit to his parents in Berlin.	
-Smoker: You will find Pyatt's Tariff, New Fives and Indian cigars on sale at Geo. Geiss's.	
-Ladies Fine Kid Button Shoe with patent leather tips, at 95 cents per pair at A. E. Ritscher's.	
-Miss Watts, of Naples, spent a part of last week visiting her brother and sister in this place.	
-Baby's Kid Button shoes at 35 and 40 cents per pair, just received from the factory at A. E. Ritscher's.	
-Joe Hatfield, Edward Mappin, Lewis Mappin, Eugene Bungardner, of Naples, were in town Saturday.	
-Mrs. A. A. Boles and children, of Garwin, Iowa, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Heinz, at Naples.	
-Last Thursday evening Geo. Cross erected a bay window over the right optic of Fatty Ferris. George is on to his job and does good work.	
-The old settlers of Cass and Morgan counties will hold their 23d annual reunion at the fair grounds in Jacksonville on Thursday, July 30.	
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Smoke Pyatt's Tariff and New Fives cigars.

-D. A. Mahony and wife, drove over from Jacksonville Thursday and will spend a day or two at the Locks fishing.

Ask for Pyatt's cigars. For sale at all leading stores.

-Miss Maggie McCormick, of Versailles, was the guest of Miss Rose Crawford over Sunday. She took in the excursion on the steamer Lotus.

Men's work shirts from 50 cents up, at LOOMAN BROS. & BROCKHOUSE.

-C. H. Purnell is erecting an ice house in the rear of his saloon, 24x34 with a cold storage room 10x12. Charlie is a hustler and no mistake.

Any one in need of clothing will do well by getting our prices before buying. LOOMAN BROS. & BROCKHOUSE.

-Wm. Staker, of Clayton, was in town Tuesday morning talking insurance to our citizens. He is one of the best insurance men in the state, and represents none but the best companies. While here he gave THE NEWS a call.

Young man, if you would not be behind the times don't fail to get a pair of the latest style pants just received at LOOMAN BROS. & BROCKHOUSE.

-The ninth annual picnic of the A. O. H. will be held on the fair grounds at Jacksonville, Thursday, Aug. 6, 1892. The Washab will sell round trip tickets at one fare.

J. M. ANDERSON, Agt.

-It is generally understood and known that as a county fair the Brown County Fair takes the lead. Cole Bros. aeronautes, of Springfield, have been engaged by the Secretary to make balloon ascensions and parachute jumps on Wednesday and Thursday, August 19

NOTICE.—The Publishers of this paper holds themselves responsible for any views that may be advanced by correspondents. To insure insertion communications must reach us not later than Tuesday noon. Correspondence solicited.

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Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

According to the school census, Bushnell has a population of 2,374.

A new Methodist parsonage will be built at Blandinsville at a cost of \$1,700.

Two fawns were born in John Cope's deer park at Prairie City one day last week.

Hon. J. M. Palmer will be one of the speakers at the old settlers' meeting at Clayton in August.

The school census for 1891 shows that Mr. Sterling has 639 children eligible to the public schools.

At Carrollton, 4,000 acres of bottom land which, before the dyke was built, was of no value sold recently for \$24,000.

Martha J. Bunyan has sued three Kookuk saloon keepers for five thousand dollars each for selling her husband liquor.

C. W. Scott, a "Q" brakeman, was run over and instantly killed by the cars while attempting to make a coupling in the Elmwood railway yards.

Cuba have a recently organized base-ball team and are now ready to lick the stuffing out of neighboring base-ball teams.

A Yates City woman put a fire snuff in her hen house to destroy lice. The experiment was successful, as the lice were destroyed. The chickens and the building were destroyed also.

Lightning recently struck the mill at Brooklyn, Schuyler county, setting fire to it which ended in total destruction, entailing a loss of \$10,000, about \$6,000 of which was covered by insurance.

A Hannibal young couple took out a license to marry and went to living together thinking no other ceremony was necessary. They were much surprised to learn recently that they had criminated themselves, and after living happily as man and wife for twelve months they were married.

Henry Ward Beecher is reported to have said that he had a warm side for the crow because that sable bird is lazy, cunning and fond of hearing the sound of his own voice—all of which are eminently human traits. To offset this, however, the crow, unlike man, never make any outcry without cause.

Philadelphia's new town clock will have a bell weighing 25,000 pounds and a dial fully 25 feet in diameter. In size and roundness the face of the clock will be an enlarged representation of the typical Quaker countenance. Perhaps the best use it could be put to would be to watch the doings of Philadelphia financiers.

The Ram's Horn is right, but it is too pessimistic. In a recent issue it says: There are well-to-do men who will set down on their knees in church and pray for God to bless the whole earth who wouldn't give a dollar towards building a fence around the church to keep the pigs out of the graveyard.

We have constantly new evidence the malign effect of trusts. They have heretofore affected the cost to the consumer, of almost every one of the necessities of life, from a match to an overcoat, but it is really too much when the diamond market is assailed and hotel clerks and other millionaires are compelled to pay tribute to an artificial combination. Perhaps the best way to offset the artificial combination will be to wear artificial diamonds.

In the palmy days of the wild speculation at Wichita, a dozen colleges and universities were built almost in a night to satisfy the craze for culture that succeeded the boom. They cost a round million dollars, and are now so many elephants on the town's hands. Still, expensive as these institutions of learning were, they did not cost Wichita so much as did the learning of the simple truth that a boom is a hollow sham and a mockery.

Gladstone is comparatively a poor nihil, and the occasional literary work he does for magazines and periodicals is not the result of any desire to add to his established fame as a writer. He takes a very matter-of-fact view of such productions, reckoning themselves as valuable help to the liquidation of his heavy household expenses. For every article he writes he receives \$1,000.

George Francis Train says he invented the word crank in 1869, and is now the champion crank of the world. He doesn't mean what the world in general means by the word. The Citizen's idea of a crank is contained in this observation he makes on the subject: "Galileo, Copernicus, Newton, Davy, of the safety lamp; Watt watching the kettle boil, Stephenson, Arkwright, Eli Whitney—these were all first-class cranks of their day. But greatest of all cranks was the wizard, the magician, Thomas Edison. And I am a crank, a champion crank, a crank of the crankiest kind."

California seems to have been trying a rather costly experiment, a little on the principle of that of the man who undertakes to pay five cents for the first nail in the horseshoe and double the amount for each succeeding one. California had coyotes and did not enjoy their depredations, so in an impulsive moment it offered \$5 a scalp to the slayer of these animals. But it seems to have underestimated both the number of coyotes and the enterprise of its citizens, for the scalps are coming in at such a rate that the dilemma seems to be whether the state shall repudiate or go into bankruptcy.

Naples Items.

Mr. Quinlin spent Monday in Jacksonville.

Bertie Harris is visiting his parents and friends.

J. F. Riley made a business trip to Jacksonville Monday.

Miss Beulah Abrams visited friends in Jacksonville Sunday.

Daniel Ward and wife are visiting their father and mother.

Mrs. Lee and daughters are spending a few weeks at Perry Springs.

Miss Gattie Quintal was visiting friends in Jacksonville last week.

Mrs. Kerns is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Hauser, in Meredosias.

Eugene Bumgardner and Lewis Mappin spent Saturday in "Dosh."

Miss Ethel Harrison, of Stanford, Ill., is visiting her grandmother and her schoolmates.

Rev. Wolf filled his regular appointment at the M. E. church Sunday morning and evening.

Elder Ross, of Bentley, preached at the Christian church last Friday evening to a large audience.

Our depot has been moved a little south of where it was and another room built on for freight.

Miss Callie Moor, who has been living at Mrs. Finney's for the past two weeks returned home Monday evening.

Miss Julia Higgins, who has been clerking at the store of J. Linkins & Co., returned to her home in Jacksonville Saturday evening.

Mrs. Wm. Green and Mrs. Garrison, of Naples, were visiting their daughters Miss Nellie Lindsay and Mrs. Ziller in Jacksonville the past week.

Messrs. William and Edward Wharton, of Jacksonville, passed through here on their bicycle's Saturday going to Griggsville returning Monday morning. They came from Jacksonville to Naples in less than four hours.

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THE Mound City, Missouri, News remarks that the town is full of sweet girls, ripe for matrimony, and wants the old bachelors to get a move on 'em and make lay while the girls are near. There is a rivalry as to the population between Mound City and some of the neighboring towns, and the editor has an eye on the next census.

AN exchange makes the following plausible remark: "You may say to farmers that if they will take an old man's advice there will be less kicking about insects in the crops. My advice is to stop plowing under all cornstalks, stubble and weed trash, and burn them all carefully before plowing, then turn the ashes under, which would benefit the land. When this is done you will have fewer bugs, worms, flies, lice and weeds than you have now."

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A remarkable freak in photography occurred at Salem, Ill., last Saturday. A lady called at the photograph establishment of Mr. R. M. Edgeworth and sat for a negative for a cabinet-sized photograph. When a proof was taken there appeared on the lap of the lady a little child. The lady says the child is an exact image of her child who died thirteen years ago. Even the clothing is of the same pattern the child was buried in. She is greatly worried over the strange occurrence, as no picture of the dead child has ever been taken. Mr. Edgeworth says he cannot account for the mystery.

JERRY SIMPSON in showing up the railroads, tells the southern farmers that Jerry Gould, while charging only \$3 to carry a hog from Chicago to New York, charged Jerry himself \$16 for the same journey. But the Kansas man might perhaps have been furnished with much better accommodations on the Gould road than are provided for the hogs. The hog usually revels in a much more simple and unostentatious style than becomes the statesman. He does not, like the latter, take a sleeper; he does not, like him, eat his meals in the "diner," nor avail himself of the barber shop, bath-room and other privileges which are now enjoyed by the first-class traveler. He sternly foregoes all these really unnecessary luxuries and while Jerry is lying through space on a limited, he is plodding along on a freight. The difference in the fare between the greatest and the Kansas statesman would seem to be due to the difference in their style of traveling, and if Jerry wants the railroads to carry him from Chicago to New York for \$3 instead of \$16 he must take a slow freight like the hog and dispense with all the luxuries of rail and travel.—Chicago Herald.

MYSTERY AT JACKSONVILLE.

A Policeman's Son Placed Under Arrest for a Strange Murder.

JACKSONVILLE, Ill., Aug. 3.—A mysterious murder was committed in a lumber yard in this city Saturday evening, a farmer of the name of Irwin Boyce being the victim. It is said there is a woman in the case. It seems that Boyce, in company with an unknown man, was walking down South Main street, when they came to a lumber yard, about two blocks from the square. They turned into the yard, and the next seen of Boyce was when he came staggering out of the yard with several wounds on his face. Two men who were passing by asked him what was the matter, but he was unable to answer, and in five minutes he was dead. A coroner's verdict was rendered that he came to his death at the hands of parties unknown. William Stacy, son of a police officer, has been arrested on suspicion.

Later.—It now appears there was robbery at the bottom of the affair and possibly jealousy. Late in the afternoon Boyce drew a considerable sum of money from a bank, but when found he had only \$1.50 on his person. He and Wm. Stacy, the man arrested, had both been attentive to a woman of improper character, and Saturday night both were in the vicinity of the woman's place. She was there at the time. A short distance beyond are the gas and electric light works, and just before the murder was committed two men passed by and two others followed the latter turning up an alley on the side of the works. Then Stacy came along and remarked to a fireman at the works that he was after Boyce and meant to get him. He was very much excited and hurried on. Soon he returned and told the fireman that while he was sitting on the curbstone Boyce came along and struck him on the head and he added, "But I gave him a good one." A colored man saw a person struck while in the street back of the gas works, but could identify no one. The wounded man staggered a few rods and fell insensible. He died in a few minutes later. Boyce was a well-to-do farmer, forty two years old. He leaves a wife and two children. Stacy is a blacksmith, about twenty-five years old and unmarried.

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—Hogs, \$4.75.

—Potatoes, 75c.

—Sweet Potatoes, \$2.00.

—Mixed Feed, \$1.40 cwt.

—Butcher's cows, \$2.25 to \$2.50.

—Harve Ham spent last week at home near Chambersburg.

—The new hotel and opera house is to be completed in two weeks.

—A. E. Ritscher expects to get into his new store room this week.

—Smoke Pratt's Tariff and New Fives cigars.

—Miss Ransdell, of Quincy, is the guest of Mrs. William Smithson this week.

—Ask for Pratt's cigars. For sale at all leading stores.

—Mrs. Dr. Neville will leave for Chicago in two weeks to attend medical college.

—Snoker: You will find Pratt's Tariff, New Fives and Indian cigars on sale at Geo. Geiss's.

—The cook on the Lotus attended the colored people's picnic at Quincy Saturday.

—Ladies Fine Kid Button Shoes 9

NOTICE.—The Publishers of this paper hold themselves responsible for any views that may be advanced by correspondents. To insure insertion communications must reach us not later than Tuesday noon. Correspondence solicited.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

Jacob Long, a Greenbush, Warren county farmer, fell from his hay mow, sustaining injuries from which he died.

The Brown county supervisors refused to pay \$75 to the Chicago chemist for expert testimony in the Barry poisoning case.

The manager of the Salite Raymond Comedy Company, skipped out from the company at Dallas, taking all the funds and leaving a big board bill and lots of unpaid salary. The company is stranded.

The women and girls employed in Hoover's laundry at Galesburg have struck because of a rule prohibiting talking among the employees during working hours. Others took the places of the strikers.

Two of John Young's boys, near Blainville, were wrestling on a load of hay. They fell off, and a pitch fork did likewise at the same moment. They lit in a pile and a line of the fork penetrated one boy's thigh and the other's side, pinning them together. The wounds were neither serious.

Bushnell Record: The Q. is arranged a new signal system for the four principal streets crossed by their tracks in this city. A set of cross gates to raise and lower will be put at each crossing, and these will be operated from a twenty-foot tower at the Hurst street crossing. This will very much reduce the danger which exist at these crossings.

An unknown stranger tried to commit suicide at Monmouth last week. In some weeds near the railroad he cut both sides of his throat with a razor, cutting bloody but not fatal wounds. He afterwards went to a house near by and washed the blood from his hands and body. He refused to give his name or place of residence, said he attempted suicide, then changed his mind.

When Forepaugh's Circus was at Burlington a wagon containing a cargo of large snakes fell from a car and broke open, allowing several of the serpents to escape. All were recaptured but one, a box constrictor nine feet long, which could not be found. It has been ascertained it has taken up its abode in a sewer, from whence it comes after night in quest of food and water. A reward of \$100 is offered for its capture.

Chicago and return.

The Jacksonville Southeastern Line will sell round trip tickets from Jacksonville to Chicago at \$5.00. They will be sold July 31st, and August 1st, and 2nd, and to be good for return passage up to and including August 18th. The solid trains called the "Red Express" are still running and offer superior advantages to the public.

Will The Woman Be There?

The chief engineer of the fire department of Ansonia, Conn., has advertised that he will marry any presentable woman of respectable family and suitable age who will ascend in a balloon with him at a coming celebration to be held by his department. The responses to this offer will be looked for with interest, if only to see whether this instance will verify the ancient saying that the hour and the occasion may sometimes fail to find the man, but never the woman.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by C. R. Ray.

Detroit and Return.

For the National Encampment, G. A. R., the Jacksonville Southeastern Line will sell tickets from Jacksonville to Detroit and return (via Chicago) at \$8.00. These tickets will be sold July 31st and August 1st and 2nd, to be good to return on or before August 15th; and this time can be lengthened by an arrangement through the joint agent at Detroit not to exceed September 30th.

W. W. KENT, Gen'l. Pass. Ag't.

PERSONAL AND IMPERSONAL.

—Mr. William Henry Bishop has entered upon his third year of European residence, and does not seem disposed to curtail his stay. He is now living in Verona.

—A Brooklynite worth \$70,000 has for several years been borrowing his car fare from an acquaintance and never paying a cent. The other day he was sued for \$27, and the creditor brought his book into court with the date of every nickel he had loaned. He said his limit, even to a friend, was \$25.

—Young Henry George Savage, who is exploring some of the unknown lands of Japan, is a grandson of Walter Savage Landor and an artist of note. He has traveled into the interior of Hokkaido and to the Kurile islands, going on horseback 2,800 miles and walking some 400 miles. For seventy days he lived entirely on raw fish, seaweed and rice.

—Twenty damsels of knowledge recently got up a debate upon the subject "Which one of our notable living Americans has shown himself to be the possessor of the greatest intellect." After writing down one hundred names, placing them in a box and then taking one out at a time and discussing each successive individual, the choice finally rested upon Thomas A. Edison.

—The peculiar and pungent odor that arises from the person and the garments of habitual cigarette smokers is offensive to many ladies, who discern it when passing these smokers in the streets, or when sitting near them in the elevated cars, and can hardly tolerate it in the house. Some ladies, it seems, find the fumes of the cigarette more disagreeable than those of the cigar and more sickening even than those of the pipe. There can be no doubt that these facts should be brought within the knowledge of all concerned.

—N. Y. Sun.—Modern wives are not the only ones obliged to submit to the dictation of husbands as regards their dress. Napoleon III. was most fastidious in regard to the appearance of his beautiful wife, and could not endure to see her in a short or high-necked dress. On the day of the marriage, as the Empress appeared at the window of the Tuilleries to acknowledge the shouts of the people, she caught up a shawl to throw over her bare shoulders; but the Emperor refused to allow her to appear again until she had exchanged it for a magnificent cloak of red velvet.

—The Czar's railway train, which is to be the substitute of the train wrecked in the Borki accident two years ago, is at last completed, and a few weeks ago its first successful trial trip was undertaken. The train consists of a carriage for the Emperor and Empress, another for the attendants, two more for the servants, a saloon carriage, a kitchen and a work shop. Electric light has been introduced, and the technical details are naturally carried out "with all the latest improvements;" but otherwise the carriages are very simply furnished and in the Emperor's carriage the furniture from the wrecked train has been used again, "by special request of the Czar."

"A LITTLE NONSENSE."

—She—"Do you call me your angel because you think I am fly?" He—"No, because you harp so!"—N. Y. Herald.

—Mr. Bullion (to his collector)—"How was your receipt at Neverpay's?" Sticker—"Very cordially; I was asked to call again."—Boston Times.

—"You should marry Henrietta Robinson, Perper. She has \$10,000 a year." "Yes, I know; but I need that much for myself. What the deuce would she live on?"—Harper's Bazar.

—Citizens—"Shooting good around here?" Rusticus—"Wall, ye-es. I reckon it's as good here as anywhere else if you've brought your target along with you."—Week's Sport.

—"You must not lift your hat now to a lady," said Quoter, "but must put your hand on your heart and bow." "Can't," said Snubber, "she always has my heart herself. I'll stick to the hat lifting."—Boston Transcript.

—Ethel's Excuse—"You told me a falsehood last night, Ethel," said Ethel's father. "I asked you if Charlie Hicks had gone and you said yes." "No, you didn't. You asked, 'Is that young man gone yet?' He was—awfully gone."—N. Y. Sun.

—"Woe! Waste—She—"You won't love me any less, now you have discovered that I have a glass eye?" He—"No, I guess not; but it is a little annoying to think of the love I have wasted on that eye in the past three months."—Indianapolis Journal.

—Amateur farmers do not know a great deal, perhaps, but when they do know, they are sure. Old Farmer—"What do you feed your pigs?" Amateur Farmer—"Corn." Old Farmer—"In the egg?" Amateur Farmer (in disgust)—"No, in the mouth."—Roller Mill.

—Man is never quite satisfied with his condition. There is something within him that spurs him to renewed exertion whenever the goal of one hope is gained and another looms up in view; but when he beats a sharper in a horse race the bird of content is fluttering near him.—Ram's Horn.

—A Syndicate Poem.—Gwendolyn—"Horace Fasset sent me to-day a lovely compliment in the shape of a poem." Alice—"Does he rhyme 'love' with 'dove,' and 'heart' and 'art'?" Gwendolyn—"Yes. Why do you speak?" Alice—"Oh, he sent me the same poem last week."—American Stationer.

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No. 46 Local Freight	10:00 a. m.

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THE BROWN COUNTY FAIR.

The eighteenth annual Brown County Fair, to be held at Mt. Sterling, August 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21, promises to be one of the best ever held in the county. The fairgoers of this vicinity are well aware of the fact that Brown county always holds one of the best fairs in the state, but we are informed by W. M. Reid, the efficient secretary, that the coming fair will throw a shade of insignificance over all former ones. They have the most beautiful and commodious grounds in the state, with plenty of shade and an abundance of good pure water. The ladies department, one of the main features, is already being filled with entries.

In the speed ring will be seen some marvelous exhibition by horses of national reputation on the turf. The following is the speed programme.

TUESDAY.
Trotting—2:20 class.....\$200
Trotting—yearling class.....\$50
Trotting—two-year-old class.....\$200
Running—half-mile heats.....\$75

WEDNESDAY.
Trotting—3:00 class.....\$1,000
Trotting—2:30 class.....\$250
Running—mile heats.....\$100

THURSDAY.
Trotting—2:40 class.....\$250
Trotting—2:30 class.....\$250
Running—One and one-half mile dash.....\$100

FRIDAY.
Trotting—2:20 class.....\$250
Trotting—3-year-old class.....\$250
Trotting—2:45 class.....\$250

All trotting and pacing races to be best three in five, except for 2-year old and yearlings.

In addition to the above speed ring there has been added special stake races for winners, which have already been made up.

If you want to spend a day or a week, pleasantly you should make your arrangements to attend the Brown County Fair next week. Holders of one day tickets can pass in and out at will, with or without vehicle. All races start promptly at one o'clock and parties living east can see the races and return on their p. m. train, leaving the fair grounds at 5:30 p. m., and reach the depot in time to go east. Fare for the round trip from Meredosia, including a ticket for the fair \$1.10.

This claim—everything politician is again on deck, and he is as big a nuisance as ever.

We have societies for the promotion of about everything except common sense. Here is an opportunity to earn the title of "crank" who will embrace it?

April fool is the name of an Oregon race horse. By striking out the first half of the name you have a correct representation of what the average better on a race horse is.

The chilly weather of the present season in England may be caused by the sentiments of the people towards the Prince of Wales, or by the coolness between Gladstone and Parnell.

GEORGIA darkies are credited with believing that Eve's fall was accomplished by the judicious use of a "red ripe" watermelon and not with an apple as most folks have believed.

MR. CLEVELAND is so much worried by being an ex-President that he wants the people to help him to get rid of the "ex." This worry is a very common disease among ex-officials of all sorts.

If the cable news be correct the World's Fair Commission now eating and drinking its way through Europe is doing more to help the preparation of bills of fare than it is to help Chicago World's Fair.

MISS HANNA Bar Harbor newspaper correspondent has brought suit against the Boston Herald for \$50,000 because the Herald called her a liar and accused her of being the associate of disreputable characters. The Herald people apparently believe this young lady to be nearly related to the devil and tainted him families, while she claims to be one of the good hams. In selecting men to sit on the jury which will try this case special attention should be given to testing their taste and smell, as those senses may play important part in trial.

The Governor of Tennessee knows when he has enough, and it would also seem from the fact that he has called an extra session of the legislature consider the convict lease law and matters relating thereto, that he was somewhat familiar with the old game of "shifting the responsibility."

SENATOR CHANDLER seems disposed to add to the heat of the season by the editorial writing in his New Hampshire paper. He throws up a handful of bricks with all the indifference of Gen. B. F. Butler as to whose head they may fall upon, and he shies his bricks straight at the heads of his senatorial colleagues Dr. Gallinger, and ex-Secretary Whitney.

While the new and magnificent vessels of the white squadron are being exhibited at our fashionable seaside resorts the news arrives that one of the vessels of our South Atlantic squadron is tied up at a wharf in a South America port to keep her from sinking. There is a bit of inequity here that isn't altogether complimentary to somebody's idea of the fitness of things.

The following language quoted by a Washington paper as having been used by a man close to the management of the National Farmer's Alliance is timely as well as significant: "We are in the Ohio campaign to down John Sherman, and we are as certain of doing it as we were in the cases of Ingalls and Hampton. We are not caring very much about the gubernatorial contest; it is the Senatorship we are after."

We cannot commend everything that Secretary Foster has done since he became the head of the Treasury department; but he certainly did right, with a big R, when he declined to allow Assistant Secretary Crouse and Treasurer Nebeker to appoint their sons to be his private Secretaries. This country has had quite enough sonism and Mr. Foster's example should be followed by some other heads of departments.

The news comes by way of London, that Senator Brice, now in Europe, favors the nomination of Mr. Cleveland by the democrats. This should be taken with a grain of allowance, in fact several of them, but he has presumably wisdom enough to know that it would be highly injudicious for a man occupying his position—chairman of the democratic national committee—to openly express a choice among the candidates for the nomination of his party.

"Silence is golden" says one. "Many a man has earned for himself the name of 'wise' because he held his tongue," says another. We came across a peculiar application of the wise silence theory in a Unitarian paper in which a correspondent is commended for teaching that as Mathew and Mark do not mention the account of the penitent thief on the cross their evidence outweighs that of Luke who mentions it. That is the "evidence" of silence is more conclusive than the evidence of speech and record. This method of "destructive criticism" would take from each evangelist's account all that was not contained in the others. Evidently there seems to be too many evangelists; about three to many.

Cranks.

"We are forty millions of people mostly fools," said Carlyle. We are sixty-three millions mostly cranks. "A sound mind in a sound body" said the old Greek philosopher. How can you have a sound body? How many people are soured, gloomy, fretful and waspish because of some physical ailment. A settled cold on the kidneys is a fruitful source of ill-feeling. Rheumatism is only uric acid in the blood. Gout is the same enemy in still larger quantity. Take Reid's German Cough and Kidney Cure and by increasing the activity of the kidneys drive off this poison. There is nothing like it for is not a drastic remedy, but mild, pleasant, harmless, without poison or opiate, soothing, healing, stimulating and healthful. Try it. There is nothing in it that harms the weakest infant. It will do you good. It contains no poison. For sale by all druggists, 25 and 50 cents a bottle.

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Besides the regular premiums offered in the Ladies' Department, special premiums are offered as follows:

Best pan light rolls in each precinct, \$4 in merchandise.

Best glass of green grape jelly in each precinct of Morgan and Cass counties, \$4 in wall paper, with a sweepstakes of \$15 worth on the wall and a Brussels carpet on the floor.

Best glass of currant jelly, a \$5 hanging lamp, with a sweepstakes premium of 100 pieces of china.

Best wheat bread in each precinct of Morgan and Cass, \$5 in merchandise.

Best loaf cake \$5 in merchandise, sweepstakes \$5 yards "Fruit of the Loom" muslin.

Best black fruit cake, each precinct of Morgan and Scott, pair ladies' \$4 shoes; sweepstakes, a \$50 cooking stove.

Best blackberry preserves, a \$5 toilet set.

Best butter, 25 lbs, granulated sugar, with a barrel of flour for sweepstakes.

Best oil painting, a \$5 album.

Best angel food, a tea set of 70 pieces.

Best jelly cake, a dozen cabinet photos.

Best ginger bread, a plush rocker.

Best chocolate cake, set of \$5 teaspoons.

Best corn bread, a Weekly Journal for one year.

Best water color, \$10 in cash.

Best doughnuts, a clothes wringer.

A gold watch for the best lady equestrian in each precinct.

13 gold watches, with a diamond ring for sweepstakes.

10 Cases Cotton Flannels open for inspection.

200 Pair of Blankets on sale.

10 Cases Garden City, King, Lyon Hats received.

20 lbs. Granulated Sugar \$1.

100 lbs Granulated Sugar \$4.75.

HORSES.

\$3,000 for Speed.

Besides the very liberal regular premiums there are specials as follows:

\$100 cash for the best roadster and five of his get.

\$100 cash for the best light harness horses.

\$100 cash for best driver.

\$100 cash for best horses of all work.

\$100 cash for best carriage team.

\$5.00 in merchandise for best colt of all work.

For the finest and best horse on the grounds, a set of single driving harness.

For the best sucking colt, a spring seat saddle.

CATTLE.

Besides large regular premiums there are specials of—

\$100 for the best herd of beef cattle.

One Star Windmill for the best steer of any age or breed.

\$100 for the best herd for beef purposes under 2 years of age.

All are Invited.

Get a Catalogue.

The Fair Will be a Grand Exposition of the Interests of this and Adjoining Counties.

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J. M. DUNLAP, Sec'y.

Headquarters at the county commissioners' room at the court house 124 Jacksonville.

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While they may not strike our competitors favorably we feel confident they will be approved by buyers. Every live, wide a wake, person can hardly fail to see the advantages afforded by the quotations here given. We want your trade and in order to obtain it we make prices as follows;

20 lbs Granulated Sugar.....\$1 00
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Pure cider Vinegar per gallon.....20
Perfection Drip Syrup per gal.....40
2 gallons Pure Headlight Oil.....25
Lamp Chimneys.....5 to 20
1 lb can Baking Powder.....15 to 30
2 1/2 lb can New Jersey Sweet Potatoes.....25
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Just received the largest and best selected stock of

BOOTS AND SHOES

EVER BROUGHT TO MEREDOSIA.

I have paid cash for my stock, thereby taking advantage of the discounts. I have selected my stock with great care and have nothing but the best goods from best manufacturers. I will sell them and

YOU WILL AND MUST BUY THEM

Because you need such and will buy where you can get the best goods for the least money.

Thanking you for the kind patronage bestowed upon us in the past and asking a continuance of the same, I remain,

Yours truly,

A. E. RITSCHER.

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MEREDOSIA AND VICINITY.

—Lard, 8c.
—Oats, 25 to 30c.
—Corn 50c.
—Meal, 80c.
—Eggs 10c.
—Wheat 70c.
—Flour, \$1.25.
—Butter, 12c.
—Ran, 80c. cwt.
—Coarse Feed, \$1.40 cwt.
—Shipstuf, \$1. cwt.
—Hogs, \$4.75.
—Potatoes, 75c.
—Sweet Potatoes, \$2.00.
—Mixed Feed, \$1.40 cwt.
—Butcher's cows, \$2.25 to \$2.50.
—The river is getting very low.
—Fishing at the Locks is said to be fine.
—Smoke Pyatt's Tariff and New Fives cigars.

—Quite a number from this place will attend the Griggsville fair to-day. Ask for Pyatt's cigars. For sale at all leading stores.

—Jack Halk, Versailles tonsorial artist, was in town between trains Monday morning.

—Ladies Fine Kid Button Shoes 90 cents per pair at A. E. Ritscher's.

—The workmen are getting along nicely with Purnell's new ice house. It will be a Jim Dandy.

—Overalls from 60 cents to \$1.00 at LOOMAN BROS. & BROCKHOUSE.

—What has become of the Meredosia brass band? Get a move on you, boys, let's have some music.

—Ratscher moved into his new store room last Saturday. He has undoubtedly the finest front in the city.

—Smoker: You will find Pyatt's Tariff, New Fives and Indian cigars on sale at Geo. Gels's.

—Say, Kratz, set up the cigars and we won't say anything about the new sign Carver has purchased for his window.

—Ladies Fine Kid Button Shoe with patent leather tips, at 95 cents per pair at A. E. Ritscher's.

—Miss Ora Black, who has been attending college at Abington for the past three months, returned home Friday evening.

—Baby's Kid Button shoes at 35 and 40 cents per pair, just received from the factory at A. E. Ritscher's.

—City Marshal Epperson has completed the brick walk on the South side of Main street. Bill you have done an excellent job.

—There are about four hundred worthless dogs in and around Meredosia that ought to be sent to the happy hunting grounds.

—It looks very much like the tinnies on the new hotel building mean business, as they worked until a late hour Saturday evening and most of day Sunday.

—H. H. Knollenberg's "New Fives," "Boat Clubs" and "Riverside Park," cigars are the very best in the city. For sale by all dealers. Give them a trial.

—Misses Julia Glaze and Fannie McCormick, two of Versailles popular young ladies, were callers at THE NEWS office last Thursday afternoon. Come again ladies.

Notice that elegant line of glass were just received at Looman Bros. & Brockhouse.

—John Vanderlip, one of the best carpenters in the state, says he has enough work to keep him and his men busy until the snow flies. Success to you John, old boy.

—Harry Andre, of Arenzville, made his regular call Sunday. Never mind Harry, you won't have to make many more trips, as you will soon be a citizen of Meredosia again.

—J. H. Carver is now receiving his fall and winter stock of goods. He will have, when they are displayed on the counter, the finest line of blankets ever brought to Meredosia.

—We omitted last week to return our thanks to the friends who so ably assisted us in moving our office to our new quarters. Gentlemen your kindness will not soon be forgotten.

—Wednesday and Thursday of the great Brown County Fair, the Coles Bros., aeronauts, of Springfield, will make balloon ascensions and parachute jump which no one within a radius of one hundred miles of Mt. Sterling should fail to witness.

—Geo. Stokes is enjoying a lay-off this week.

—Chas. Steward, of Versailles was a visitor to this place last week.

—Miss Fannie Brown, of Quincy, is the guest of Capt. Brown, of the Lotus.

—Mrs. J. M. Bickers and children, of Versailles, were visiting in the city Tuesday.

—Dr. Chas. Fowler, has a very complicated case down near the river, so say the boys.

—Mrs. Butcher and daughter, Ida, leave this (Thursday) evening for a visit to Iowa.

—Miss Lulu Schafer entertained a number of her friends Tuesday evening at her home.

—Peter Myer, who has the contract for building the hotel and opera house was in this city Tuesday.

—Wm. Smithson has resigned his position at Purnell's saloon and Tom Burris has taken his place.

—Mrs. D. H. Lollis left last week for an extended visit to friends in Catlin, Ind. Mr. Lollis will follow in a few days.

—D. Watts has been spending several days at Perry Springs for the benefit of his health. He returned Tuesday evening.

—The Seventeen Annual Fish Fry of the Sangamon Bottom-Fry Association will be held at Clear Lake, Wednesday Aug. 10.

—Our old friend Bennet Robinson left for Alsey, Ill., Tuesday morning where he has the principalship of the Alsey High School. Success old friend.

—Louis Weisgerber, of Golden, has taken a position as salesman for F. Einstman. Mr. Weisgerber is an efficient clerk and his customers will find him a pleasant gentleman.

—The First Annual Log Rolling and picnic of Camp No. 379, Modern Woodmen of America, will be held at Elmore Grove, half miles north of wagon bridge, in Schuyler county near Beardstown, Aug 20, '91.

—I. N. Pearson, H. W. Gash and wife, Mr. Mansford wife and daughter, Mrs. Y. D. Scales, Miss Grace Pearson, Miss Jennie Parvey, of Springfield were fishing at the Locks last week. They were conveyed thereto by the Lotus.

—About the first of the month Ed Gells will open up in the building now occupied by C. R. Ray, with a complete line of boots and shoes and gentlemen's furnishing goods. Mr. Gells informs us that he has his stock already ordered.

—Geo. Jaques had quite an accident to his engine last week. While climbing a hill the eccentric gave way, letting the engine run down hill, completely demoralizing the separator and stacker. The accident happened near Benville, in Brown county.

—We hear of considerable complaint in regard to the bad condition of the Naples and Meredosia wagon road along the river bank, south of the mill track. There is considerable trade that we would get, that goes some where else, if the road was kept up all right. Let the commissioners look into this matter. Give the people a good road, gentlemen.

—We are now in our new room on the second floor of the new brick building just completed by our enterprising boot and shoe man, A. E. Ritscher. This is the finest room, as well as location, in the city for a printing office, as the advantages for light are far ahead of our former location. Having secured a good location, we are now prepared to meet the wants of our customers. We kindly solicit your patronage, and will endeavor at all times to please you. If you have not favored us with a call we would be pleased to have you do so, as we extend to all a cordial invitation to call and see us.

—A western newspaper recently received the following answer from a person who was requested to act as subscription solicitor: "From a perusal of your sample copy I consider your paper to be a dicknailor of the first water; but owing to the fact that the crops were a failure last year, and the blizzard in January wiped out the cattle, and this place has, only two families and a water tank, and one of the families is away at Hot Springs, and the other one, which was only Jed Roach himself, is dead since December, and as, dear sir, I am going east, because I have no society except freight trains and telegraph messages that do not stop as they pass by, I do not think it would pay me to make much of a boom for your paper here, even if you increased the commission, and threw in a three-bladed pocket-knife. You asked me to hand your letter to some other person in my town, provided I cannot work for you myself. I have no one to hand it to, but I will nail it on the water tank when I leave."

—Clarence, the little one-year-old son of Wm. Mann and wife, died last Saturday, and was buried Sunday. The bereaved family have the sympathy of the community.

—Miss Effie Omer, one of Camp Point's pleasant, charming and accomplished young ladies, visited friends here Friday. She was on her way home from Enreka, where she was sent as a Sunday school delegate.

—A maiden from the city tripped lightly mid the trees; she snuffed a pungent odor, that floated on the breeze. "Pray tell me, sturdy farmer, with arms so brown and bare, what is that fragrant flower that so scents the balmy air?" Loud laughed the sturdy farmer, till the tears ran down his cheeks; "why, bless you, that's a polecat, I've smelt him for a week."

Prices on Meats to be Reduced.

I will be prepared in a few days to open up a complete butcher shop, with a full and complete line of the finest meats on the market.

M. S. LEWINSON.

Morgan County Fair.

TO THE LADIES OF MORGAN AND ADJOINING COUNTIES:

Remember that entries can be made for any or all of the special premiums offered by the merchants and business men of our city and county, to be exhibited at the Morgan County Fair, by purchasing special exhibitors tickets for \$2 from either of the parties offering special premiums. That is, if a lady wishes to compete for special premium offered by Wm. Paterson she will be required to purchase ticket from him, which ticket will enable her to compete for the prizes offered by Messrs. Coe, Chambers, Fairbank, Beales, Poffenbarger, Hinchee, &c, or any or all of them without further expense.

J. M. DUNLAP, Sec'y.

Claims He Was Haro.

Through the columns of the Ridge Farm Times, we learn that Capt. Pasteur, of the Rossville Press claims to have been in our city last week, looking up the Times man's pedigree.

If the Press man was here we do not know it, nor can we find any one who does. We were not favored with a copy of his paper, consequently do not know who he interviewed. The following is taken from the Times.

"We don't like to be inquisitive, but are anxious to know at what hour in the night the editor of the Rossville Press visited Meredosia last week, as the newspaper of that place and a leading business man failed to note his appearance. His patrons have learned 'ere this that he could supply a large soap factory with that most necessary article—luc."

Naples Items.

Mrs. Milton Moore is quite sick.

Judge Dresser was sick last week.

Jos. Thomas spent a few days in Perry last week.

Thomas Bunge is much troubled with rheumatism.

Venice Meyers is in Springfield under the care of Dr. Pince.

Miss Nellie Mappin is visiting her friends near Chambersburg.

Misses Lizzie and Emma Watts visited friends in Perry Friday.

Minnie Lee entertained her friends at her home Thursday evening.

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NOTICE.—The Publishers of this paper hold themselves responsible for any views that may be advanced by correspondents. To insure insertion communications must reach us not later than Tuesday noon. Correspondence solicited.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Bodily From Our Different Exchanges.

Scarlet fever rages in Pekin. One cigar factory alone in Canton employs 150 hands. A cigar factory has been opened at Canton by a lady, Miss Kate Kaiser.

Fulton county has nearly fifty coal mines and over seven hundred miners. The tri-county old settlers reunion will be held at Plymouth Wednesday, September 2.

Quite a number of cattle in the vicinity of Canton are said to be afflicted with black tongue.

The Griggsville evaporating factory is being put in order for business and will open in a week.

A Nauvoo young man whose best girl has two or three other beaux, calls her his "Mary-go-round."

The city council of Carthage have passed an ordinance prohibiting bicycles from running on the sidewalk.

"The mother of a Macomb boy suffers from blood poisoning, caused by dressing the wound he received on the Fourth.

A Cuba man dogged his neighbor's hogs when they were rooting up his fields, and the fun cost him five dollars and trimmings.

A former Pike Co. man named Baker is under \$1000 bonds, charged with burning his house at Washington Ill., to get the insurance money.

The board of supervisors of McDonough allows each paper in the county five dollars for printing the proceedings of each meeting of the board.

There will be a new assessment in Warsaw. The assessor failed to discover more than two gold watches and didn't find a hog in the whole city.

A man at Peoria, who was injured in the Chatsworth railway wreck four years ago, has just had a piece of wood as large as a silver dollar removed from his head.

There is a school district in Warren county in which there is but one pupil of school age. Last year there were three for whose benefit there was a six months' term of school.

Four boys near Springfield were playing with an old gun they didn't know was loaded Sunday, when it was discharged, and one of them fatally and severely wounded. Next.

Arrangements have been made for a monster camp meeting to be held at Mendon, August 16, under the direction of the M. E. Church. It will be a district meeting, preachers and people from all parts of Quincy District participation.

Canton's latest style of social gathering is a "toe social." It is so called because partners for the evening are mated "unsight and unseen," by chalking corresponding numbers on masculine and feminine shoe tips tramped under a concealing curtain.

A three-year-old son of Albert Zeiger, living in Concord, Adams county was killed Monday. The children were in a wagon, one of them pulled on the lines and the team moved the wagon, when the child fell under the wheel, which passed over its body.

As a boy was passing some ears at Champaign, he heard some one begging to be released. He informed some of the yardmen, who proceeded to investigate. When a car loaded with ice was opened two half-frozen tramps made their appearance.

Springfield has a colored man, who is said to be 113 years old. His name is Cyrus Greenleaf. He is in possession of an old family bible in which there is an entry stating that he was born Jan. 1, 1778. The old man is still in good health and makes his living by doing odd chores.

A man in Hanco, Hancock county, killed a large rattlesnake one day last week. He claimed that during the fight some little snakes ran down the old one's throat. The snake was put open to see if this was true; and 18 small snakes were found inside, and all were active and full of life.

A farmer in Shelby county, Mo., who recently died, had a clause in his will setting aside \$100 to pay for the Shiloh Democrat being sent to a neighbor during the neighbor's natural life. The neighbor had borrowed the dead farmer's paper every week for years. This may be taken as a pointer to some of our subscribers.

Young George Adams, who about fifteen years ago murdered Nan Ferris in a little house on Vermont street, Quincy, and who was sentenced to life in the penitentiary and afterward pardoned, is now married and a preacher in the salvation army.

A Hancock county man had ground his corn knife and while walking he struck at a weed by the side of the path; at the same time his boy came running up behind him. The blade struck him across the face laying his nose open clear down to his upper lip, making a frightful wound.

LaHarper: Some peddlers are working the country, selling wrought iron ranges. They sold several at \$60 to \$65, while our dealers sell the same stove at from \$40 to \$45. There are two morals to this story. Buy at home and you will save big money. The other is to advertise your goods that people may know just what you have.

Mt. Sterling doesn't amount to much unless it can have a sensation of some kind. One man, who had run away with another man's wife attempted to thrash the other fellow and was locked up. When he was released it is said he threatened to shoot the other fellow and was arrested, but at the trial no evidence was produced and he was accordingly fined and let go.

Moss Weinberg and another man of Augusta quarreled. One word brought on another and Weinberg, presenting his nose in an inviting position, dared Findlay to strike him. Weinberg was not expecting a lick, but his nose was broken in two places as a result of the blow. Dr. Ellis adjusted the fracture. Weinberg will bring suit for \$2,000 damage.

J. C. Mulkins, of Rockport, was killed Thursday of last week while crossing a ditch with a thrasher. He was caught between the separator, which became uncoupled and the engine wheel and crushed to death. Citizens in that neighborhood are quite indignant and are scoring the road commissioners for their seeming neglect, some going so far as to encourage the man's family to a lawsuit against the commissioners.

A disease appears to have broken out among the cattle in Illinois that it spreads will cause great loss. Last week 100 cattle died in the neighborhood of Sumner, Lawrence county, and reports from Galesburg and other points speak of a similar ailment existing in other localities. The animals die in a few minutes after symptoms of the disease appear, but no one seems to know what it is.

Something like ten years ago a lad, son of Edgar Cobb, of Chalmers township, disappeared from his home. He wrote upon his plow-beam (he left from plowing, "gone to Quincy." All search and enquiry for him was fruitless. The other day the family received their first news of him. It was a letter from the Sandwich Islands written by him. He states he is in the omnibus business there, and doing well. The word was a great relief to the family.—Macomb Journal.

An Oquana man was possessed of a strong desire to go to the show, but was not possessed of the 25 cents. To beg he was ashamed and he had no time to dig a quarters worth if he could get the job. A bright thought revealed the way out of the difficulty and into the show. He went to a grocery store, bought a package of coffee on time, took it up the street and sold it for cash, marched to the show like a little man, paid for a ticket and had enough money left for refreshments.

A horrible crime occurred at the Northern Illinois insane hospital at Elgin Thursday. Fireman George Lindsey had for a helper John Anderson, a quiet patient. They were in a coal house, no others being present, when the lunatic, possessed with a sudden madness, killed Lindsey with a heavy hammer, being caught in the act of thrusting the unconscious, dying man into the furnace. Anderson is a man of 45, whose mania is of a religious nature, and in the six years since he came from Rockford had never shown homicidal tendencies. The coroner's verdict holds no one guilty of the blame.

Harvest Excursion. The Jacksonville Southeastern Line are arranging a series of Harvest Excursions to points in Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado, Wyoming, South Dakota, Utah, Idaho, Arkansas, Indian Territory, and Texas. These excursions will be run August 25th and 29th. Rates and particulars can be obtained of any Agent J. S. E. Line or the undersigned.

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Chas. S. Rannels. Offers a special purse of \$100 for the best pair of light harness horses, mares or geldings, exhibited at the Morgan County Fair, to be held in September 1891. First premium \$50; second premium \$30; third premium \$20. For particulars governing this contest, call on Chas. S. Rannels, Jacksonville, Ill.

Cassell Bros., manufacturers of fine cigars and dealers in plug and smoking tobacco and smokers' articles, 223 South Main Street, offer at the county fair for the best bushel of oats from each of the different precincts of the county. One box of Leading Lady or Red Express cigar, and in addition as a sweepstakes one box of Short Horn cigar, for conditions in the above contest, call on Cassell Bros.

Special Fair Premium. Bennett's Music House offers as a special premium for the best collection of fancy work made by any one lady residing in Morgan county a Swiss musical box, value forty dollars, or a fine sewing machine of equal value, if preferred. Both can be seen at the store.

Unusual Attraction. Phelps & Osborne, the popular low price makers, dealers in dry goods, notions, &c., and the largest and cheapest cloak house in Central Illinois, northeast corner square, Jacksonville, Ill., offer for the best loaf cake exhibited at the Morgan county fair of 1891, made by a resident of each of the following precincts of Morgan county, a premium to the value of \$5 in merchandise, to be selected by each of the successful competitors: Alexander, Arcadia, Bethel, Concord, Franklin, Jacksonville, Lynnville, Murrayville, Meredosia, Sulphur, Yatesville, Waverly and Woodson. Sweepstakes—For the best loaf cake competing for the above premiums, Phelps & Osborne, the popular Low Price Makers, will give as a sweepstakes premium 50 yards (one bolt) of Fruit of the Loom bleached muslin. For conditions governing the above contest apply at the store of the popular low price makers, Phelps & Osborne, Northeast Cor. Sq. Jacksonville, Ill.

Corn is King. Seeburger & Bro., the well known north side clothing and hat men, who always sell the very best goods at the lowest prices—and they can be depended upon—make the following liberal offer: A handsome fancy zinc \$6.50 trunk for the best half bushel of white corn from each of the following precincts. Alexander, Arcadia, Bethel, Concord, Franklin, Jacksonville, Lynnville, Murrayville, Meredosia, Sulphur, Yatesville, Waverly and Woodson, to be exhibited at the fair. For conditions governing the above contest, apply to Seeburger & Bro., the popular north side clothiers.

P. O. Coe. Dealer in China, Glass, Queensware, Lamps, burners, wicks, chimneys, jelly glasses and fruit jars, 237 West State Street, Jacksonville, Illinois will give the existence of a dangerous counterfeit of that issue. A new design containing a portrait of the late Secretary Windom will be ready soon, and then no more Hancock notes will be issued.

One of the most interesting exhibits at the World's Fair will be that of the Forestry Science, under the auspices of the Agricultural department. It will contain all the trees native to the United States—about 425 species, the forestry resources of the country by States, the various methods of wood-working and of forestry development, as well as a collection of fruit and seeds, planting tools and illustrations of planting methods and statistics of forest management. This science is just beginning to recover in this country after today, but everything is moving along as usual, only a little lessening but routine business being transacted.

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Among the visitors to the Alliance headquarters was Col. H. B. Deming, Secretary of the Pennsylvania Industrial Union, who came to complete arrangements to have Senator Peffer and Representative Jerry Simpson address the Pennsylvania farmers on the 21st inst., at Mount Gretna. He reports that the Alliance and kindred organizations will number 90,000 in that State before next November, and that they will vote practically unanimous against either or both the old parties whenever it becomes necessary to protect their rights.

It is rather curious thing, but never the less true, that several Chilians located temporarily in Washington managed to get news from Chili that America's most enterprising newspapers do not receive, this is particularly so as regards the prompt denial of any news that the newspapers do obtain that happens to be against the interests represented by these enterprising manipulators of the grape vine telegraph, which it seems has had a cable attachment added since the days that it was constantly burdened with full details of battles which were never fought and victories which were never won. Barnum was right when he said that Americans liked humbug, but Mr. Barnum dealt in clever humbugs while this sham is so transparent that it fools no one.

Can Chinese visit the World's Fair at Chicago? is a warm weather problem that officials of the Treasury department have been wrestling with. China was, of course, invited to take part in the exposition, as was every other nation with which we hold diplomatic relations, and now the inquiry has been made of the Treasury department whether citizens of China may desire to visit the World's Fair and be allowed to land in this face of the positive prohibition of it contained in the anti-Chinese law. Acting Secretary Nettleton after giving considerable thought to the subject has referred it to the Attorney General, preferring to have an official opinion as to what solution he should make of the problem. One thing is clearly apparent, we cannot expect the Government of China to take of a liberal part in the exposition if we refuse to allow its citizens to visit it at their pleasure. The Chinese government has not replied to the invitation of the United States, further than to send a formal notification that it has been received, and it may be that its agents have instigated this inquiry, so that it may know before accepting or declining what treatment its citizens are to expect from us.

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The younger generation of politi-
cians, summering at the seaside, re-
port that on the beach at dusk the
third party is universally unpopular.

The Kansas farmers don't seem to
tackle kindly to that wheat deal. "A
bird in the hand gathers no moss," say
they, or words to that effect.

There is a suspicion that Mr. Har-
rison is disporting with the Cape. May
billows with a view to getting ready
for coping with tidal waves next year.

In Douglas, Wyo., two servant girls
sued a woman who keeps a hotel for
their unpaid wages. The case was
tried by women lawyers before a jury
of twelve women. The jury is still out.

SOME of the free trade editors are
expressing surprise that Speaker Reed
should have had such a welcome in
Paris, while the American hog still
had to pay a heavy duty or stay out.

There was something superfluous
about the announcement that a Con-
necticut young man had died from ex-
cessive cigarette smoking. Like those
whom the gods love, they all die young.

The thirteenth wife of a Mormon
elder has just been identified as the
heress to an enormous English estate.
Who said thirteen was an unlucky
number?

At last accounts Kentucky owed
the country an apology for represent-
ing that a mob had done its work in
old-time style when in reality the al-
leged victim was safe in a jail.

SPOONER couples should not forget
that there are five Sundays in this
month, and, moreover, barring clouds,
there will be more moonlight in it
than in any month of the year.

The world will not soon cease to
wonder why there is a Chicago woman
among the persons who have gone to
Sioux Falls to secure divorces. Is
Chicago's own pet industry losing its
hold?

A NEW YORK girl has had a mous-
tache grafted on her upper lip. This
is right in the line of the evolution in
New York's society. The tailor-made
girl will now be complete, and the first
thing you know your aunt will be your
uncle.

WHAT has become of the bustle?
Not one can be seen promenading the
street and it is less than a year since
the bustle reigned in all its glory.
The larger the bustle the more the
glory. But the interesting question
is: What has become of them all?

Gov. FIFER has pardoned Howard
Garrison, who was sentenced to the
penitentiary from Pike county is 1888
for five years for manslaughter. Garri-
son was but 17 years old at the time and
many extenuating circumstances exist-
ed which are set forth in a strong
petition for his pardon.

A ROMANTIC Chicago couple were
married in a hansom the other day.
Another couple had the knot tied in
the water in their bathing costumes,
and still another were married in an
elevator while going up and down, and
the odds are about ten to one that two
copies out of the three were married
in haste.

JNO. WANNAMAKER, the merchant
prince, who speaks from experience,
says: "I never in my life used such a
thing as a poster, or dodger, or hand-
bill. My plan for fifteen years has
been to buy so much space in a news-
paper, and fill it up with what I want-
ed. I would not give an advertisement
in a newspaper of 500 circulation for
5,000 dodgers or posters."

A CRANBY sect has come to public
notice in Madrid, Spain. The most
extraordinary practice encouraged by
this sect is their method of contracting
marriages. Any woman is entitled to
rise up in meeting and cry out: "I
wish to marry" so and so, naming the
man. The poor man upon whom her
choice has fallen is doomed to become
a husband. It is useless for him to try
and wiggle out of it by protesting prior
engagements. The poultiff marries the
couple then and there. Over three
hundred such marriages have been
carried out, and the popularity of the
poultiff among women desiring matri-
monial partners, is unbounded.

GO AND VIEW THE LAND.

Three Cheap Harvest Excursions.

On August 25th, September 15th and
September 29th, Low Rate Harvest
Excursions will be run from all
stations on the Wabash Railroad to the
Great Farming Regions of the
West, Northwest, South and South-
west. Tickets good returning for
thirty days from date of sale.

The crops were never so good as this
year, and the Railroad Rates, via
Wabash, never so low. Whatever sec-
tion you wish to visit, be sure and
write to or call upon the nearest
Wabash ticket agent for particulars as
to rates time of trains, accommoda-
tions, etc.

If you do not live adjacent to the
Wabash, write at once to

F. CHANDLER,
Gen'l Passenger and Ticket Agent,
St. Louis, Mo.

The Clergyman Saw.

An English bridegroom has been
fined for disorderly conduct during
the marriage ceremony. He was very
shy and nervous, and in order to screw
his courage up to the sticking point he
quietly took out a flask while the
clergyman was reading the exhorta-
tion and indulged in a nip. The
church was pretty dark and he thought
no one saw him, but in this he was
mistaken, for the clergyman knew the
service by heart, and instead of look-
ing at the book was looking at him,
and of course saw the unubrical act.
The result was a fine of \$5 and costs.

Morgan County Fair.

TO THE LADIES OF MORGAN AND AD-
JOINING COUNTIES:

Remember that entries can be made
for any or all of the special premiums
offered by the merchants and business
men of our city and county, to be ex-
hibited at the Morgan County Fair, by
purchasing special exhibitors tickets
for \$2 from either of the parties offer-
ing special premiums. That is, if a
lady wishes to compete for special
premium offered by Wm. Paterson she
will be required to purchase ticket
from him, which ticket will enable her
to compete for the prizes offered by
Messrs. Coe, Chambers, Fairbank, Be-
dies, Poffenbarger, Hinchee, &c., or
any or all of them without farther ex-
pense.

A Little Girl's Experience in a Light- house.

Mr. and Mrs. Loren Trescott are
keepers of the Gov. Lighthouse at
Sand Beach, Mich., and are blessed
with a daughter, four years old. Last
April she was taken down with
Measles, followed with a dreadful
Cough and turning into a Fever. Doc-
tors at home and at Detroit treated
her, but in vain, she grew worse rap-
idly, until she was a mere "handful of
bones." Then she tried Dr. King's
New Discovery and after the use of
two and a half bottles, was completely
cured. They say Dr. King's New Dis-
covery is worth its weight in gold, yet
you may get a trial bottle free at Ray's
Drug Store.

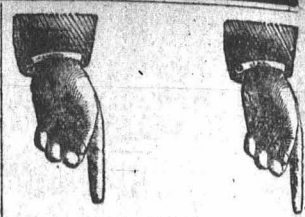
A noted Chicago dress-maker an-
nounces that the women of the future
will wear but two garments. This is
news, we were somehow carried away
by the idea that women of the future
would wear nothing but a pair of
wings and a harp.

A Sudden Shock.

William Pitt, the second son of the
Earl of Chatham, was Prime Minister
of England. He opposed Napoleon
and formed a coalition with Prussia
and Austria. Napoleon shattered the
opposing forces at the battle of Auster-
litz. News of the defeat was brought
to Pitt. Everyone who saw his face
felt that he had received his death
blow. "Close the map of Europe,"
said he, "it need not be opened again
for half a century." In two days he
died, the shock had killed him. More
than nine-tenths of kidney troubles
come from this cause. Sudden losses,
sudden deaths. Every great financial
panic leaves a plentiful crop of them.
In all such cases Reid's German Cough
and Kidney Cure is an unfailing rem-
edy. It at once restores tone to the
system, rallies the depleted energies
and thus enables the patient to ward
off the disease. It contains no poison.
For sale by all druggists, 25c and 50c
a bottle.

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Besides the regular premiums of-
fered in the Ladies' Department, spe-
cial premiums are offered as follows:

- Best pan light rolls in each precinct, \$1 in
merchandise.
- Best glass of green grape jelly in each pre-
dict of Morgan and Cass counties, \$5 in wall
paper, with a sweepstakes of \$5 worth of
the wall and a Brussels carpet on the floor.
- Best glass of currant jelly, a \$5 hanging
lamp, with a sweepstakes premium of 30
pieces of china.
- Best wheat bread in each precinct of Mor-
gan and Cass, \$5 in merchandise.
- Best loaf cake \$5 in merchandise, sweep-
stakes 50 yards "Fruit of the Loom" muslin.
- Best black fruit cake, each precinct of Mor-
gan and Scott, pair ladies' \$4 shoes; sweep-
stakes a \$50 cooking stove.
- Best blackberry preserves, a \$5 toilet set.
- Best butter, 25 lbs. granulated sugar, with a
barrel of flour for sweepstakes.
- Best angel food, a tea set of 75 pieces.
- Best jelly cake, a dozen cabinet photos.
- Best ginger bread, a plush rocker.
- Best chocolate cake, set of 25 teaspoons.
- Best corn bread, a Weekly Journal for one
year.
- Best water color, \$10 in cash.
- Best doughnuts, a clothes wringer.
- A gold watch for the best lady equestrian
in each precinct.
- 15 gold watches, with a diamond ring for
sweepstakes.

- 10 Cases Cotton Flannels open for inspection.
- 200 Pair of Blankets on sale.
- 10 Cases Garden City, King, Lyon Hats received.
- 20 lbs. Granulated Sugar \$1.
- 100 lbs Granulated Sugar \$4.75.



HORSES. \$3,000 for Speed.

Besides the very liberal regular pre-
miums there are specials as follows:

- \$100 cash for the best roadster and
five of his get.
- \$100 cash for the best light harness
horses.
- \$100 cash for best driver.
- \$100 cash for best horses of all work.
- \$100 cash for best carriage team.
- \$5.00 in merchandise for best colt of
all work.
- For the finest and best horse on the
grounds, a set of single driving har-
ness.
- For the best sucking colt, a spring
seat saddle.

CATTLE.

Besides large regular premiums
there are specials of—
\$100 for the best herd of beef cattle.
One Star Windmill for the best steer
of any age or breed.
\$100 for the best herd for beef pur-
poses under 2 years of age.

All are Invited. Get a Catalogue.

The Fair Will be a Grand Expi-
ation of the Interests of this
and Adjoining Counties.

Address all inquiries to
C. S. RANNELE, Pres.
J. M. DUNLAP, Sec'y.

Headquarters at the county com-
missioners' room at the court house in
Jacksonville.

J. H. CARVER.

HOW DO THESE PRICES STRIKE YOU?

While they may not strike our
competitors favorably we feel con-
fident they will be approved by
buyers. Every live, wide a wake,
person can hardly fail to see the ad-
vantages afforded by the quota-
tions here given. We want your
trade and in order to obtain it we
make prices as follows;

- 20 lbs Granulated Sugar.....\$1 00
- 22 lbs Light Brown Sugar.....1 00
- 25 lbs Dark ".....1 00
- 4 lbs best green Coffee.....1 00
- 20 lbs Rice.....1 00
- 10 lbs Raisins.....1 00
- 12 3/4 lb. can Apples.....1 00
- Pure cider Vinegar per gallon.....20
- Perfection Drip Syrup per gal.....20
- 2 gallons Pure Headlight Oil.....25
- Lamp Chimneys.....15 to 30
- Brooms from.....5 to 20
- 1 lb can Baking Powder.....15 to 30
- 2 3/4 lb. can New Jersey Sweet Potatoes.....25
- Quart Fruit Cans per doz.....50

One Price to All. All Goods as Represented.

Come and see us and be convinced that we are selling goods as cheap
as the cheapest. Yours to please,

Looman Bros. & Brockhouse.
North Side Main Street.

RITSCHER'S TRADE - BULLETIN.

I am now located in my new building and
am offering all goods in my line at the
Very Lowest Prices.

Strictly adhering to my motto: "QUICK SALES AND SMALL PROFITS,"
I am offering my immense stock at

FIVE PER CENT. DISCOUNT FOR CASH.

Just received the largest and best selected
stock of

BOOTS AND SHOES EVER BROUGHT TO MEREDOSIA.

I have paid cash for my stock, thereby taking advantage of the discounts. I
have selected my stock with great care and have nothing but the
best goods from best manufacturers. I will sell them and

YOU WILL AND MUST BUY THEM

Because you need such and will buy where you can get the best goods for the
least money.

Thanking you for the kind patronage bestowed upon
us in the past and asking a continuance of the same, I
remain, Yours truly,

A. E. RITSCHER.

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A live, wide-awake family newspa-
per, devoted to home interests.

The Meredosian News.

PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY

When no time is specified, advertise-
ments and local notices will be published un-
til ordered discontinued.

MEREDOSIA AND VICINITY.

- Lard, 8c.
- Oats, 25 to 3c.
- Corn 50c.
- Meal, 80c.
- Eggs 10c.
- Wheat 75c.
- Flour, \$1.25.
- Butter, 12c.
- Bran, 80c. cwt.
- Coarse Feed, \$1.40 cwt.
- Shipstuffs, \$1. cwt.
- Hogs, \$4.75.
- Potatoes, 75c.
- Sweet Potatoes, \$2.00.
- Mixed Feed, \$1.40 cwt.
- Butcher's cows, \$2.25 to \$2.50.
- The river is "way down."
- Lewinson opened up his new
butcher shop Sunday morning.
- Jim Sidles, of Springfield visited
Bud Hale and family last week.
- Miss Alta Leslie spent last Satur-
day in Jacksonville with friends.
- A large crowd will attend the
Brown County Fair to-day (Thursday.)
- G. W. Graham has the front
almost finished in his new building.
- Miss Katie Carver is the guest of
Mrs. Z. T. Green of Mt. Sterling this
week.
- Miss Jessie Whorton, of Chapin,
is the guest of the Misses James, in
this city.
- Ask for Pyatt's cigars. For sale at
all leading stores.
- Several couple from this place
were fishing at the Locks last Friday.
We learn they had a splendid time and
caught an abundance of fish.
- Smoke Pyatt's Tariff and New Fives
cigars.
- Bud Hale and wife left for Decatur
Monday morning, where they will put
their youngest child under the care of
a doctor for a few days.
- Ladies Fine Kid Button Shoes 90
cents per pair at A. E. Ritscher's.
- When you want plain or fancy
job printing come to The News office.
We have the best equipped country
job office in central Illinois.
- Overalls from 60 cents to \$1.00 at
LOOMAN BROS. & BROCKHOUSE.
- The hall game between Naples
and Chambersburg at Bluffs Saturday
resulted in a victory for Naples, by a
score of 18 to 8. Chambersburg went
to Bluffs with the intention of "wip-
ping the earth with them" so to speak,
but found it was no easy job.
- Smoker: You will find Pyatt's Tar-
iff, New Fives and Indian cigars on
sale at Geo. Geissl's.
- Jno. W. McDonald, of Precinct
No. 7, was in our city last Saturday.
Mr. McDonald, is a candidate for
County Commissioner, subject to the
Democratic primary. He is said to be
a man well qualified to fill the position.
While here he gave The News a call.
Success to you Mr. Mc.
- Ladies Fine Kid Button Shoe with
patent leather tips, at 95 cents per
pair at A. E. Ritscher's.
- Grissold's Uncle Tom's Cabin
Company will appear under canvas at
Meredosia, this (Thursday) evening.
They carry their own car, 30 people
and all properties and appropriate
scenery to produce this play, and all
are assured a splendid time to attend.
The car will be open to visitors from
2 to 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Watch
for the grand solo band at 11:30 a. m.
Admission 25 cts.
- Baby's Kid Button shoes at 35 and 40
cents per pair, just received from the
factory at A. E. Ritscher's.
- R. Seaton, Secretary of the Adams
County Fair to be held at Camp Point
Aug. 25, 26, 27 and 28, has our thanks
for comps. The Camp Point corres-
pondent to the Clayton Enterprise of
Bismarck, says: "The annual meeting of
the Adams Co., Agricultural Society,
known as the Adams Co. Fair, will be
held at Camp Point, beginning Aug-
ust 24, and last five days. The splendid
harvest of wheat and oats and the good
outlook for the fair very flattering.
The officers are working hard and
making every effort for a great success
on that occasion, and from assurances
already received have no doubt, that a
better meeting will be held than
Adams county ever saw before. The
Secretary is kept busy answering let-
ters in regard to the exhibits and says
that all the departments will be better
filled than at any previous meeting
and the people are coming in droves."
- Notice that elegant line of glass-
ware just received at Looman Bros. &
Brockhouse.

—Jno. Vanderlip is in Scott county
this week.
—Old papers 25 cents per hundred at
this office.
—The river raised about 24 inches
last Monday.
—Several attended the ball game at
Bluffs Saturday.
—The tinnies finished the hotel job
Tuesday morning.
—Enoch Hyde has gone to Peoria to
work at his trade.
—Mrs. C. C. Keener took the Pike
for Beardstown Sunday.
—Pete Stoffel is under the care of a
physician in Jacksonville.
—Chas. Hale is pulling the strings
over the dray team this week.
—Dr. C. R. Ray informs us that he
will be in his new store room by Sept.
1st.
—When finished, C. H. Burnell, will
have one of the finest ice houses in
the county.
—Geo. Weber, our gentlemanly tin-
ner, spent a part of last week in
Beardstown.
—Mrs. Fannie Smith is the guest of
her sister, Mrs. J. J. Baker, of Camp
Point this week.
—The Rossville Press, published by
Capt. Pasteur, is a new addition to
our exchange list.
—Jule Graham received his \$100
double barrel shot gun last Monday.
It is of the Parker make.
—If you have any old clocks you
want to dispose of take them to our
tonisorial artist, Jno. Nevill.
—Miss Lottie Weber entertained a
number of her little friends at her
home in the east part of the city last
week.
—Mrs. M. E. Reyland favored us
with a late issue of the Crystal River
Current this week, for which she will
accept thanks.
—The shelving and counters arrived
Sunday for G. W. Graham's new build-
ing. He will open up about the 15th
of the coming month.
—We acknowledge the receipt of a
complimentary ticket to the Morgan
County Fair. Read the special pre-
miums on the first page of this issue.
—A young man was fined \$10 and
cost for flirting at Williamson, Del.
The judge claims flirting to be a crime.
Boys look out, you may fare likewise.
—A hail storm greatly damaged the
corn last week near Chapin, the stalks
nearly all being stripped of blades.
Farmers north of this place also suffer-
ed considerable loss.
—Jno. Boles and family, who have
been visiting friends here for about
two weeks, returned to his home at
Garwin, Iowa, Monday morning. Mr.
Boles left this place seven years ago
last March and this is his first visit.
—Why don't our city dads cut the
weeds in the park and along the side
walks? It would be but a small ex-
pense and add much to the appear-
ance of the town. We have one of the
neatest parks in the state with a little
care.
—Many years practice has given C.
A. Snow & Co., Solicitors of Patents
at Washington D. C., unsurpassed
success in obtaining patents for all
classes of invention. They make a
specialty of rejected cases and have se-
cured allowance of many patented
inventions and one of them was blown down
the river considerable distance before
it could be landed. Besides some few
limbs being blown off some of the
shade trees no further damage was
done.

—A letter received by Mr. Julius
Edmundson from his son, J. T. Ed-
mundson, dated at Pueblo, Colo., Aug.
14, states that Uncle Jim Crawford,
well and favorably known to our citi-
zens, is in very poor health, not being
able to be about. Uncle Jim resides
out about 18 miles from Pueblo. J. T.
and his two sons, Fritz and Charlie,
have a nice position at a combined
salary of \$200 per month, with the
Pueblo Distilled Water Ice and Cold
Storage Co., located at that place. His
reports his family all well.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for cuts,
bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever
sores, tetter, chapped hands, chil-
blains, corns, and all skin eruptions,
and positively cures piles, or no pay
required. It is guaranteed to give
perfect satisfaction, or money refund-
ed. Price 25 cents per box. For sale
by C. R. Ray.

The First Step.

Perhaps you are run down, can't eat,
can't sleep, can't think, can't do any-
thing to your satisfaction, and you
wonder what ails you. You should
heed the warning, you are taking the
first step into Nervous Prostration.
You need a Nerve Tonic and in Elec-
tricity Little's you will find the exact
remedy for restoring your nervous sys-
tem to its normal, healthy condition.
Surprising results follow the use of
this great Nerve Tonic and Alternative.
Your appetite returns, good digestion
is restored, and the Liver and Kidneys
resume healthy action. Try a bottle.
Price 50c. at Ray's Drug Store.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Clipped Beddily From Our Different Exchanges.

A Macomb man has a peach orchard containing 700 trees.

A chicken on exhibition at Galesburg, has four legs and four wings.

Laura Johnson, an inmate of the Hancock county almshouse, committed suicide by hanging.

The Tazewell county board of supervisors bought ninety-six voting booths of a St. Louis firm for \$650.

Bushnell will have the honor of entertaining the state encampment of the Sons of Veterans next year.

The boiler in the electric light works at Bushnell exploded Monday morning. Two men were blown forty feet and instantly killed.

A party of fishermen were arrested near Cincinnati Landing for selling in the city snipe to law. Four of them were fined \$10 each.

A Hancock county woman paid a peddler \$38 for two pairs of spectacles she could have purchased of any respectable dealer for \$2 or \$3.

The \$1,000 offered to the captors of the murderer Porter has been raised by private subscription in Quincy and paid over to the proper persons.

Frank P. Clark, a Wabash engineer, whose home was at Springfield, was killed in a wreck at Homer, Ill., last Thursday. Several others were wounded.

Peaches in Schuyler county and the vicinity thereof are so abundant that the market price opens up at 80 cents a bushel and sellers refuse to contract them at 40 cents a bushel later on.

Farmers in Hancock county report an alarming prevalence of foot and mouth disease among horses, cattle and calves. The animals die of starvation, but the disease is not necessarily fatal.

Amber Clark, one of the oldest and most highly respected citizens of Brown county, died at his home one mile west of Mt. Sterling, on Wednesday evening of last week, aged nearly 70 years.

While Edward Hampton, a young man of twenty years was handling a breach-loading shot-gun at Farmington Tuesday, of last week, the gun was accidentally discharged, the charge killing a nine-year-old lad, Charlie Sullivan.

Efforts are being made at Carthage to form a stock company with a capital stock of \$10,000, the object of which is to put in a plant for lighting that city by electricity, providing arrangements can be made with the city to take sixty lights at ten dollars per light.

At Plymouth, on the 2d inst., W. D. Burdette and family, consisting of wife and three children, were poisoned by eating food supposed to them to be mushrooms. They all rapidly recovered except Mr. B., whose life during Sunday afternoon and night, was despaired of, but he has recovered.

Mrs. Aldo Briggs, formerly of Mt. Sterling but late of Chapin, Ill., and who so lately visited with J. A. Curry and family, died last week of typhoid fever. She was buried Saturday.

Mrs. J. A. Curry and daughter, and Mrs. H. Williams, friends of the deceased, attended the funeral.—Mt. Sterling Examiner

The Quincy Herald thinks "the crop of street fakirs is unusually large this season, and the crop of suckers taken in by them is in proportion much above the average. When a fakir can in one evening sell thirty dollar worth of dentifrice that would eat the enamel off the wisdom tooth of a behemoth of holywrit before the beast could wag his tail in objection, the proof is fairly strong that some fools are yet in the living, even if beyond the hope of redemption."

A number of families in the vicinity of Havana for some time back have been missing their hogs in a mysterious manner. They disappeared so quietly, without leaving any trace behind, that it was suspected they were victims of the "what-is-it" that has been reported in that vicinity. A number of farmers instituted a search and discovered Havana and Bath a large quantity of pork was buried in the ground. In all about 200 hogs have been missed. A man, who lived near by, was arrested with his wife, and some silver spoons were

discovered in their possession that a farmer's wife identified as belonging to her. The woman claimed all the spoons were given to her by her husband, and she was released on a preliminary hearing. The man has confessed that he used a long pole with a sponge wet with chloroform to stupefy the hogs by thrusting it into their pens. The hogs were then hauled off and butchered.

Samuel Lee, a farmer living near Fulton, Mo., has a cow which gave birth to thirty-two calves recently. One of the calves is living and in good shape. The others are dead. One of the dead calves is about the unusual size, but has no bones in its body and is malformed. The other thirty are hairless and vary in size from that of a young rat up to that of a cat, and many of them are malformed. This is no humbug, but it is vouched for by a number of Fulton's best citizens.

A Lewistown poultryman claims that McKinley bill has enormously increased the price of chickens and eggs. It is certainly true that young chickens this year fetch a big price beyond the reach of common people. This poultry goes chiefly to Boston market, and our informant says it is almost exclusively bought by gamblers and fast women, as business men refuse to pay the prices demanded. The common Boston price of a small spring chicken weighing less than one pound is one dollar.—Fulton Democrat.

No One Will See It.

"What's the use in advertising, no one will ever see it," is what many a merchant says when asked to put his "ad" in the paper. Later on something occurs and that same merchant finds that his name is mixed up in it. He rushes to the newspaper office to see if there is anything in about it. "Yes there is only a line or two," the editor says. "Only a line or two? Why, every one will see that and it will be known all over town!" the applicant for favors responds. "Impossible," responds the editor, "because no one would ever see your advertisement." There is no gammon about this. The above are cold, hard, solid facts. Any newspaper man in the country will tell you that this is so. Men won't advertise because, as they say, "people will not see their 'ad.'" But they have a different opinion when they want a "puff" or a "send off," a notice for this, that and the other thing whereby they want to make some money for themselves. In such case, the newspaper is just the right kind of a medium for every one to see the notice, but when it comes to an "ad" it is "st" worth a "tinker's darn." There is a good deal of humbug about this whole business. If a man won't advertise because no one will see the "ad," let that man distinctly understand that no one will see the line or two that he is anxious to keep out of the papers. This is business from the word go, and don't you forget it.

Prof. Foster, in his predictions for August, says "sudden changes of the weather may be expected and a third storm wave will leave the Pacific coast about the 10th, cross the Rocky-Alleghany valley from the 11th to 13th, and reach the Atlantic coast about the 14th. These storms are expected to be of very great force, but much unsettled and changeable weather may be expected from August 4th to 18th. The weather will be favorable to the crops and August will be the best growing weather of the summer. It will not average excessively hot however."

Wabash Fair Circuit.

The Wabash will sell round trip tickets to the different fairs in the circuit at the following rates: Barry, Aug. 4 to 7, 90c; Griggs, Aug. 17 to 19, 80c; Mt. Sterling, Aug. 17 to 19, 70c; Camp Point, Aug. 25 to 28, \$1.35; Jacksonville, Sept. 1 to 4, 95c; Springfield, Sept. 7 to 11, \$1.75.

J. M. ANDERSON, Agt.

Harvest Excursion.

The Jacksonville Southeastern Line are arranging a series of Harvest Excursions to points in Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado, Wyoming, South Dakota, Utah, Idaho, Arkansas, Indian Territory, and Texas. These excursions will be run August 25th and 29th. Rates and particulars can be obtained of any Agent J. S. E. Line or the undersigned.

W. W. KENT, Gen'l. Pass. Ag't.

H. H. Knollenberg's "New Fives," "Boat Clubs" and "Riverside Park" cigars are the very best in the city. For sale by all dealers. Give them a trial.

—Come right along with your job work. We are better prepared than ever to do your work.

A Gold Mine on a Roof.

Three thousand dollars for an old tin roof would be a pretty steep price, but the man who gets the battered roof from the old Tabernacle Church at Broad street and South Penn square, which is now being torn away, for that sum will be in great luck. Some years ago the paint was scraped off the old roof and yielded \$5,000 in fine gold. It is almost certain to yield as much this time. The gold comes from the mint. When the gold is being coined considerable quantity of it volatilizes with smoke through the chimney, and as soon as it strikes the air it falls. Much of it falls on the roof of the mint, so much of it that the officials save even the water that falls upon it during a shower. All the drains from the roof are connected with large vats in the cellar of the mint. Before the water finally gets to the sewer it is strained through many blankets and sieves which retain the gold. Notwithstanding all these precautions the gold that is annually washed into the Delaware from the mint is worth thousands of dollars. Every particle of dirt swept up about the mint is carefully stored away with the washings from the roof, and once every year it is sold to the highest bidder, as it cannot be used in the mint.—Philadelphia Record.

Lyric, doric and epic verse are all good in their way, but during the watermelon season we would suggest that bucolic would be the most appropriate style.

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CHEAP LANDS IN--THE--WEST.

Along the lines of the BURLINGTON ROUTE in Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming and northwestern Kansas, particularly on its new extensions in that territory there are still some Government Land awaiting settlement. These lands are among the best to be had anywhere in the country for agricultural and grazing purposes. In the comparatively new districts are many improved farms which can be purchased at a very low rate of that class of restless pioneer settlers who are ready at all times to move "farther west." In the territory embraced by the BURLINGTON ROUTE there are two hundred new towns which offer to manufacturers and business men an excellent opportunity to locate with profit. Send to the undersigned for descriptive pamphlets and other matter giving location and full particulars concerning these lands.

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A large, handsome Map of the United States, showing North and South Dakota, mounted, and suitable for office or home use and issued by the BURLINGTON ROUTE, will be furnished responsible parties free on application to the undersigned.

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A Cure for the Ailments of Man and Beast.

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No medicine chest is complete without a bottle of MUSTANG LINIMENT.

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At the solicitation of many of my old comrades and friends I have consented to assist them in procuring their claims before the department at Washington. I have made this a special study and at considerable expense have secured all the necessary blanks and information that can successfully prosecute your claims. The sooner you put in your claim the sooner you will get your money. Call and see me. For reference call on the editors.

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Only four minutes from the Court House; Cable-cars pass the door. New house with all modern improvements; newly furnished. On American and European plans. Rooms \$2.00 upward. Turkish Baths for ladies and gentlemen. Restaurant by Fred Thompson, late of Chicago and Union-League clubs. Table d'hôte served.

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GOING EAST:

No. 4, Atlantic Express, 7:30 a. m. to 8:30 a. m.

No. 4, New York Express, 8:40 a. m. to 9:40 a. m.

No. 10, Local Freight, 10:00 a. m. to 11:00 a. m.

GOING WEST:

No. 4, New York Express, 8:40 a. m. to 9:40 a. m.

No. 10, Local Freight, 11:30 p. m. to 12:30 p. m.

*Except Sunday. Daily.

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St. Louis & Express, 11:20 a. m. to 1:00 p. m.

St. Louis & Chicago, 11:20 a. m. to 1:00 p. m.

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The New York girl bows her stately head. And she fixes her stylish lips in a firm, hard way, and lets them go, in spasmodic little snips.

The Boston girl removeth her specs, and freeth her face with a smile. Then she sticks out her lips like an open book, and cheweth a bean meanwhile.

The Baltimore girl, the pride of the south, in her clinging and soulful way, absorbs it all with a yearning year.

As big as a bale of hay. —Washington Critic.

The Chicago girls gets a grip on herself, as she carefully takes off her hat; she grabs up the prize in a frightened way, like a cornered animal in her kiss.

The Washington girl so gentle and sweet, lets her lips meet the coming kiss with rapturous warmth, and the youthful soul.

Float away on the sea of bliss. —Washington Critic.

And the Nashville girl, a creature divine, whether wife, or widow, or miss, looks into your eyes with her starry orbs, and pats her whole soul in her kiss.

As a breeze from her big ice palace. —St. Paul Globe.

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

Those Who Know God May Perform Mighty Deeds.

The Opportunities Afforded the Christian—The Lifting Up of the Fallen, the Rescue of the Perishing, a Higher Work than Winning Battles.

Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage delivered the following discourse before an immense congregation at Ocean Grove, N. J., taking for his text:

"The people that do know their God shall be strong and do exploits."—Daniel II, 32.

Antiochus Epiphanes, the old sinner, came down three times with his army to desolate the Israelites, advancing one time with one hundred and two trained elephants, swinging their trunks this way and that, and sixty-two thousand infantry and six thousand cavalry troops, and they were driven back. Then, the second time, he advanced with seventy thousand armed men, and had been again defeated. But the third time he laid successful siege until the navy of Rome came in with the flash of their long banks of oars and demanded that the siege be lifted. And Antiochus Epiphanes said he wanted time to consult with his friends about it, and Popilius, one of the Roman ambassadors, took a staff and made a circle on the ground around Antiochus Epiphanes, and compelled him to decide before he came out of that circle, whereupon he lifted the siege. Some of the Hebrews had submitted to the invader, but some of them resisted valiantly, as did Eleazar when he had swine's flesh forced into his mouth, spit it out, although he knew he must die for it, and did die for it, and others, as my text says, did exploits.

An exploit I would define to be a heroic act, a brave feat, a great achievement. "Well," you say, "I admire such things, but there is no chance for me; mine is a sort of humdrum life. I had an Antiochus Epiphanes to fight. I also could do exploits." You are right, so far as great wars are concerned. There will probably be no opportunity to distinguish yourself in battle. The most of the brigades, however, of this country, would never have been heard of had it not been for the war.

Neither will you probably become a great inventor. Nineteen hundred and ninety-nine out of every one hundred inventions found in the patent office at Washington never yielded their authors enough money to pay for the expenses of securing the patent. So you will probably never be a Morse or an Edison or a Humphrey Day or an Eli Whitney. There is not much probability that you will be the one out of the hundred who achieves extraordinary success in commercial or legal or medical or literary spheres. What then? Can you have no exploits? I am going to show you that there are those opportunities open that are grand, thrilling, far-reaching, stupendous and overwhelming. They are before you now. In one, if not all three of them, you may do exploits. The three greatest things on earth to do are to save a man, or a woman, or a child.

During the course of his life almost every man gets into an exigency, is caught between two fires, is ground between two millstones, sits on the edge of some precipice, or in some other way comes near demotion. It may be financial or moral or a domestic or a social or a political exigency. You sometimes see it in court rooms. A young man has got into bad company and he has offended the law, and he is arraigned. All blushing and confused, he is in the presence of judge and jury and lawyers. He can be sent right on in the wrong direction. He is feeling disgraced, and he is almost desperate. Let the district attorney overhaul him as though he were an offender, let the ablest attorneys at the bar refuse to say a word for him, because he can not afford a considerable fee, let the judge give no opportunity for representing the mitigating circumstances, hurry up the case, and hustle him up to Auburn or Sing Sing. If he lives seventy years, for seventy years he will be a criminal, and each decade of his life will be blacker than its predecessor. In the interregnums of prison life he can get no work, and he is glad to break a window-glass, or blow up a safe, or play the highwayman, so as to get back within the walls where he can get something to eat and hide himself from the gaze of the world.

Why don't his father come and help him? His father is dead. Why don't his mother come and help him? She is dead. There are all the ameliorating and salutary influences of society? They do not touch him. Why did not some one long ago in the case understand that there was an opportunity for the exploit which would be famous in Heaven a quadrillion years after the earth has become scattered ashes in the last whirlwind? Why did not the district attorney take that young man into his private office and say: "My son, I see that you are the victim of circumstances. This is your first crime. You are sorry. I will bring a person who wronged into your presence, and you will apologize and make all the reparation you can, and I will give you another chance." Or that young man is presented in the court-room, and he has no friends present, and the judge says: "Who is your guarantor? And he answers: 'I have none.' And the judge says: "Who will take this young man's case?" And there is

a dead halt, and no one offers, and after awhile the judge turns to some attorney, who never had a good case in all his life, and never will, and whose advocacy would be enough to secure the condemnation of innocence itself. And the professional incompetent crawls up beside the prisoner, helpless to rescue despair, when there ought to be a struggle among all the men of the profession as to who should have the honor of trying to help that unfortunate. How much would it cost an attorney have received as his fee for such an advocacy? Nothing in dollars, but much every way in a happy consciousness that would make his own life brighter, and his own dying pillow sweeter, and his own heaven happier—the consciousness that he had saved a man!

So there are commercial exigencies. A very late spring obliterates the demand for spring overcoats and spring hats and spring apparel of all sorts. Hundreds of thousands of people say: "It seems we are going to have no spring, and we shall go straight out of winter into warm weather, and we can get along without the usual spring attire." Or there is no autumn weather, the heat plunging into the cold, and usual clothing which is a compromise between summer and winter, is not required. It makes a difference in the sale of millions and millions of dollars of goods, and some over-sanguine young merchant is caught with a vast amount of unsalable goods that will never be salable again, except at prices ruinously reduced. The young merchant with a somewhat limited capital is in a predicament. What shall the old merchants do as they see the young man in this awful crisis? Rub their hands and laugh and say: "Good for him. He might have known better. When he has been in business as long as we have, he will not load his shelves in that way. Had he but waited a week before he had no business to open his store so near to ours anyhow." Sheriff's sale! Red flag in the window: "How much is bid for these out-of-fashion spring overcoats and spring hats and spring apparel of all sorts? I hear the way of a bid? "Four dollars." "Absurd! I can not take that bid of four dollars a piece. Why, these coats when first put upon the market were offered at fifteen dollars each, and now I am only offered four dollars! Is that all? Five dollars, do I hear? Going at that! Gone at five dollars, and he takes the whole lot. The young merchant goes home that night and says to his wife: "Well, Mary, we will have to move out of this house and get a new place. That old merchant who has had an evil eye on me ever since I started has bought out all that clothing, and he will have it rejuvenated, and next year put it on the market as new, while we will do well if we keep out of the poor houses. The young man, broken-spirited, goes to hard drinking. The young wife with her baby goes to her father's house, and not only is his store wiped out, but his home, his morals, and his prospects for two worlds—this and the next. And devils make a banquet of fire and brimstone, cups of gall, and drink deep to the health of the old merchant who swallowed up the young merchant who got stuck on spring goods and went down. That is one way, and some of you have tried it.

But there is another way. That young merchant who found that he had miscalculated in laying in too many goods of one kind, and been flung of the unusual season, is standing behind the counter, feeling very blue, and biting his finger nails, or looking over his account books, which read darker and worse every time he looks at them, and thinking how his young wife will have to be put in a plainer house than she ever expected to live in, or go to a third-rate boarding house, where they have tough liver and sour bread five mornings out of the seven. An old merchant comes in and says: "Well, Joe, this has been a hard season for young merchants, and this prolonged cool weather has put many in the doldrums, and I have been thinking of you a good deal of late, for just after I started in business I once got into the same scrape. Now, if there is anything I can do to help you out I will gladly do it. Better just put those goods out of sight for the present, and next season when I plan something about them. I will help you to some goods that you can sell for me on commission, and I will go down to one of the wholesale houses and tell them that I know you and will back you up, and if you want a few dollars to bridge over the present, I can let you have them. Be as economical as you can, keep a stiff upper lip, and remember that you have two friends, God and myself. Good morning!" The old merchant goes away and the young man goes behind his desk, and the tears roll down his cheeks. It is the first time he has cried. Disaster made him mad at everything, and mad at man and at God. But this kindness melts him, and the tears cease to relieve his brain, and his spirits rise from ten below to eighty in the shade, and he comes out of the crisis.

There sometimes comes exigency in the life of a woman. One morning a few years ago I saw in the newspaper that there was a young woman in New York whose pocket-book containing \$7.38 had been stolen from her, and she had been left without a penny at the beginning of winter in a strange city and no work. And although she was a stranger I did not allow the 9 o'clock

mail to leave the lamp post on our corner without carrying the \$7.38, and the case was proved genuine. Now I have read all Shakespeare's tragedies, and all Victor Hugo's tragedies, and all Alexander Smith's tragedies, but I never read a tragedy more thrilling than that case, and similar cases by the hundreds and thousands in all our large cities. Young women without money and without home and without work in the great metropolis of our nation. When such a case comes under your observation how do you treat it? "Get out of my way; we have no room in our establishment for any more hands. I don't believe in women anyway; they are a lazy, idle, worthless set. John, please show this person out of the door." Or do you compliment her personal appearance, and say things to her which if any man said to your sister or daughter would kill him on the spot? That is one way, and it is tried every day in the large cities, and it is those who advertise for female hands in factories and for governesses in families have proved themselves unfit to be in any place out of hell. But there is another way, and I saw it one day in the Methodist Book Concern in New York, where a young woman applied for work, and the gentleman, in tone and manner, said to me: "My daughter, we employ women here, but I do not know of any vacant place in our department. You had better interest the set-back which the enormous production threatens. Though the movement of rails is unusually small, the price of iron is not falling, and the movement of domestic iron alone is in excess of consumption of all iron, domestic and foreign, until last year, and it is rightly inferred that the demand for iron will be more active than it is now. Some increase is seen for bar, and structural mills are fairly well employed. At Philadelphia no change appears in that line. 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There are indications now that the wheat crop will be reached, if not exceeded. A 600,000,000-bushel yield seems to be assured.

The ruins of the palace of the queen of Shila have not been found in Mahalona, whence the wonderful gold of Ophir is supposed to have come. But the Zimbali ruins show that this strange country was once the scene of a mighty civilization.

Inspector Byrnes may laugh over the idea of a burglar's trust, but all the same he has rights under his nose in New York and Brooklyn a gang of horse-thieves that rivals in audacity any of those which formerly flourished in the west. The effect east should adopt some of the methods of the "wild and woolly west."

By a recent decision of the federal courts, federal convicts will hereafter have to serve thirty days in addition to their sentence, the same to pay costs of trial, etc., and at the end of that time will be taken by a United States marshal before the United States court in which they were convicted, and there be formally discharged.

"OLD HUTCH" the Chicago grain speculator, whom his friends thought mentally irresponsible when he went east some months ago and declared that wheat would touch the dollar mark, seems to have a deal of method in his madness, for it is reported that he has managed to round up about \$600,000 during the recent flurry in the wheat market.

It would seem that the fugitive American hoodlums who formerly found a snug harbor in her majesty's dominion of Canada must have established a sort of university for the dissemination of knowledge in regard to their peculiar methods, and that Canadian pupils have proved such apt scholars that they have outstripped their mentors in the extent and audacity of their operations.

There is little doubt that forged will have changed the current of many a princely fortune, but in the light of nineteenth century progress the will-forgery must needs draw on the past for his supplies in getting up his bogus documents, for what with the microscope and applied chemistry the difference between the paper and ink of today and that of yesterday is so great as to be as readily distinguished as daylight is from darkness, as has been shown in the famous Davis will case at Butte, Mont.

China is getting into decidedly hot water. Either she can not or will not—probably the former—control the savage instincts of her people toward the "outside barbarians," and the result is that the civilized nations of the world are concentrating their efforts to bring the Celestial empire to a due sense of its shortcomings. With smoldering anarchy within and threatened chastisement from without the Flowery Kingdom is in an unenviable state; and there are not wanting those who predict that the present state of affairs is but the forerunner of the dismemberment of the ancient and mighty empire.

CORREA has good harbors and Russia wants them. The czar already possesses a long strip of Pacific coast lying directly east of Chinese territory. The fortified port of Vladivostok is at the very south end of this strip, and just north of the Korean peninsula. China claims suzerainty over Korea, but it is of a very shadowy and intangible texture. The possession of Corea would give Russia a great vantage ground for the use of her fleets and armies against both China and India, and the purpose to annex that little kingdom as soon as the projected trans-Siberian railroad is well under way is hardly disguised by Russia.

From all accounts it appears that had not the Pacific Mail steamer City of Panama steamed away from the Salvador authorities we might have had another Barrundia case. The City of Panama, when it entered a Salvador port, had as passengers three Salvadorian refugees who had shipped from Nicaragua to Guatemala. One of these, Lisandra Letora, the Salvadorian authorities demanded as a common criminal, and refused to give the steamer permission to leave port until he was surrendered. To save its passenger the steamer refused without permission, and Salvador now claims the right to confiscate it.

A LAKE has a wonderfully tempering effect on the climate. Thus according to Mr. Ford, the quantity of heat accumulated in the Lake of Geneva during the summer of 1889 was equal to that given off by the combustion of 31,000,000 tons of coal, or the amount carried by a coal train 1,100 miles in length. The great part of the heat is discharged into the air of the valley during the cold season, thus producing a milder temperature in autumn and winter. According to this theory, should the Salton lake in the Colorado desert prove a permanency the climate of that region may be expected to be revolutionized.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Compiled from Various Sources.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

On the 21st Queen Victoria made her formal inspection of the French fleet in Osborne bay. The fleet was drawn up in line, flying the French and British flags, and every officer and sailor at his post. Admiral Gervais received her majesty on board his flagship, the Marengo, and as the queen reached the deck of the vessel the cannon of the fleet thundered a royal and imperial salute.

The crisis in the Berlin cabinet awaits the action of the kaiser, who had not, on the 21st, signified his purpose, but the impression prevailed that Dr. Miguel would have his way and secure the repeal of the corn laws. The kaiser has been growing colder toward Caprivi, while he is more friendly to Count Waldersee, from whom he was for some time apparently estranged.

PUBLICATIONS in French newspapers in regard to the kaiser's alleged misconduct on the yacht Hohenzollern have been called to his notice, but he has refused with disdain to say anything about them. It is certain, however, that he is very angry on the subject, and that he has affected his sentiments toward France. Secretary Forster says that, though no more than 4 1/2 per cent. bonds are presented for extension, there will be ample funds in the treasury to redeem the \$11,000,000 4 1/2 per cent. outstanding. The matter, however, excites much interest in treasury department circles.

It is said that Arabi Pasha, weary of his exile in Ceylon, meditates a return to Egypt. The Egyptian government has notified the British representative at Cairo that if he returns he will at once lose his pension of \$250 a month and his head.

EARLY on the morning of the 21st the president went angling for pickerel at Fern lake, near Mount McGregor, N. Y., returning at 2 p. m. with a string of fifteen fine fish—four or five of which he had caught himself.

SECRETARY NOBLE has directed the commissioner of Indian affairs to instruct Indian Agent Bennett of the Union agency, I. T., to seize all packages of beer that come into the Indian Territory, and to turn them over to the United States marshal to be libeled under the revised statutes.

The treasury department decides that a yacht purchased in England by F. W. Vanderbilt, and by him brought to New York, is dutiable under a fair intentment of the tariff law.

ACTING SECRETARY NETTLETON of the treasury department has decided that when a letter is supposed to contain dutiable matter and the addressee refuses to open it in the presence of a customs officer, it should, after being retained at the post office for a proper period, be sent to the dead-letter office.

On the 22d the emperor and empress of Germany returned to Berlin. Shortly after their arrival they proceeded on horseback to Tempelhof, where the emperor reviewed the guards.

PRESIDENT COMBERS of the American Federation of Labor has issued an open letter to all labor corporations asking them to assist the National Quakers' union in forcing the stores to carry a clean-shaven Port Deposit, Md., out of the market.

CRIMES AND CASUALTIES.

On the 20th freight train No. 18 on the Kansas City, St. Joseph & Council Bluffs road, was held up and robbed at Murray's switch, near Harlem, Mo. Rear brakeman Ed White was shot through the temple and instantly killed.

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FRANK C. ALMY, the murderer of Christie Warden, near Hanover, N. H., was captured, on the 20th, in a barn on the premises of the father of his victim, where he had been in hiding ever since the commission of the crime. He made a desperate fight before surrendering, and only gave up when the bone of one leg was shattered by two bullet wounds.

AN explosion, followed by fire, occurred in the Taylor building, No. 66 to 70 Park place, New York city, on the 23d, which completely demolished the structure and caused an appalling loss of life, variously estimated from sixty upward. Nearly a hundred persons were reported missing, though it is probable that some of these have been rescued. The full details of the disaster shall have been made up.

JAMES WELLS, a citizen of Nottawaway county, Va., and his son sought shelter in a barn during a thunder-storm. They had been there but a short time when lightning struck the barn and they were killed.

JOHN GIBBIE and his wife and little child were crossing a canal bridge at Schenectady, N. Y., when the child fell through an opening into the water. The father jumped into the canal to rescue the child and both were drowned.

On the 23d a tenement-house inhabited by persons of the poorer classes was burned at Shadwell, England. Two persons were cremated, and one woman was killed and two others were seriously injured by jumping.

On the 23d Dan Bruce, city marshal of Shelbyville, Ind., was shot and fatally wounded by Charlie Hawkins, a desperado. The murderer was arrested and placed in jail, whence he was taken by a determined mob and hanged to the limb of a tree. As soon as he was swung up to the limb his body was riddled with bullets.

At Los Angeles, Cal., on the 21st, a smash-up occurred at the First street depot of the Santa Fe railroad, in which Gov. Markham of California and other state officials, United States Senator Felton, Congressman Powers and others were badly shaken up and a few of them slightly injured.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The burgomaster of Treves believes that 800,000 pilgrims will visit that city during the exhibition of the "holy coat."

The Mexican government has recently declared forfeited no less than fourteen railway concessions, the conditions of which had not been complied with by the grantees.

The St. Petersburg Bourse Gazette announces that the Russian government has ordered the confiscation of all grain intended for export if found to contain more than 8 per cent. of rye.

On the 22d, at the close of business, \$20,884,150 4 1/2 per cent. bonds had been placed in the treasury department for exchange for 3 per cent. bonds.

THERE were severe earthquake shocks in central Portugal on the 22d, but no damage is reported.

The aggregate receipts of wool at Boston for the week ending Jan. 1, to August 23, were \$54,998 bales domestic and 126,073 bales foreign, against 311,656 bales domestic and 29,839 bales foreign for the same time in 1890. This is an increase of 43,614 bales domestic and of 46,383 bales foreign.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

MESSRS. BUTTERWORTH, Handy and Peck, of the foreign commission of the Columbian fair, announced, after satisfactory interviews with the Russian ministers of foreign affairs and finance upon the subject of Russia's participation in the fair. Both promised that they would co-operate in the efforts to secure the success of the fair.

A CRAZY man named Anderson, who had been attempting to sell tickets to Heaven for fifty cents and to hell for ten cents in the streets of Duluth, Minn., on the 24th attempted to shoot Thomas A. Facer, aged 16, an employee of the Enslie Furnace Co., of Birmingham, Ala., fell into a lake of molten slag and was roasted to death.

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ILLINOIS STATE NEWS.

And They Want to Teach School.

There are school teachers in Illinois who have some very funny notions about matters outside of their immediate sphere of labor. A committee has been at work in the examination papers of applicants for state certificates. One of the questions in the examination was: "Describe the powers and duties of the board of railway and warehouse commissioners." A variety of answers were given, of which the following are taken from the papers examined by Prof. Boltwood:

The duties of the board is to see that they are in good condition, not liable to injure anyone from fire or generating contagious diseases.

To see that the warehouses are kept empty as far as possible.

They have power to establish and condemn warehouses.

To see that they are safe for the traveling public.

To inspect and report to the governor with recommendations of those improvements they deem necessary.

They have power to suspend the operation of railroads and warehouses for injury to the public.

At Chicago the other day Judge Kohl-saat admitted to probate the will of David B. Fisk, and issued letters testamentary to John E. L. Frasher and Bennett B. Botsford. Both executors gave individual bonds for \$4,500,000 each.

Decades left an estate estimated at \$1,255,000, of which \$1,300,000 is in personal property and \$25,000 in realty. The heirs are Mrs. Lydia C. Fisk, widow; Mrs. Myra C. Botsford, wife of Bennett B. Botsford, a daughter, and the two sons, Daniel and Henry E. Fisk. A number of individuals are left \$1,000 each, and an annuity of \$1,000 to Daniel E. Fisk during his lifetime. The residue of the estate goes to the widow absolutely.

Killed Game Out of Season.

J. W. Simmons, superintendent of the Cairo division of the Big Four railroad, was taken to the hospital from Edgar county in custody of Constable W. C. Thompson. He pleaded guilty before Justice W. C. Howell to killing prairie chickens, and was fined \$15 and costs. One singular feature about the case is that J. W. Simmons claims to be a farmer of the same county.

On the 22d, at the close of business, \$20,884,150 4 1/2 per cent. bonds had been placed in the treasury department for exchange for 3 per cent. bonds.

THERE were severe earthquake shocks in central Portugal on the 22d, but no damage is reported.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

MESSRS. BUTTERWORTH, Handy and Peck, of the foreign commission of the Columbian fair, announced, after satisfactory interviews with the Russian ministers of foreign affairs and finance upon the subject of Russia's participation in the fair. Both promised that they would co-operate in the efforts to secure the success of the fair.

A CRAZY man named Anderson, who had been attempting to sell tickets to Heaven for fifty cents and to hell for ten cents in the streets of Duluth, Minn., on the 24th attempted to shoot Thomas A. Facer, aged 16, an employee of the Enslie Furnace Co., of Birmingham, Ala., fell into a lake of molten slag and was roasted to death.

JOHN CONWAY, the steamship fireman who murdered the boy Nicholas Martin, whose body was found on Friday last floating in a sailor's bag in Har-don dock, was hanged at Liverpool on the 20th. Conway's head was practically torn from the body by the drop.

JAMES LYONS shot and killed his wife at their home in Pawtucket, R. I., on the 20th. The woman had a baby in her arms at the time, and the shots were fired at such close range that the burning powder set fire to the infant's clothing.

ADVISED received in London are to the effect that the cyclone which visited Martinique on the 18th was the most severe since the year 1871. Fully sixty lives were lost.

THE NEW YORK HOLOCAUST.

The Work of Recovering the Remains of the Victims of the Park Place Explosion and Fire.

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New York, Aug. 24. The work of recovering the remains of the victims of the Park Place explosion and fire is progressing slowly, but the immense amount of debris to be hauled—the highest estimate of the loss of life likely to be verified.

The first discovery was made at 5:30 this morning, that of the body of a man burned beyond recognition. At 7:40 the body of another man was brought out and a few minutes later that of a boy. The latter was terribly burned about the face and arms. The man had been fearfully crushed, his intestines protruding in a way that was sickening to see.

At 8 o'clock the body of a man with his legs burned off was found. At 9 o'clock another body was discovered, and was recognized as that of John Steinke, of Jersey City. At 9:50 a young man's body was found, making the twenty-fourth victim thus far discovered.

In a few minutes later a bystander saw a workman pick up a vest and take out a watch and chain from it. A policeman was called, and the Italian was arrested with the watch and chain in his possession. He said he intended to give them to his foreman. He was held in \$500 bail to answer.

At 10:30 another body, that of a man, greatly disfigured and burned, was taken out.

By noon the odor of the burned bodies became painfully offensive and two physicians of the health board were sent to disinfest the ruins, and also the bodies as they were taken out.

A thorough investigation of the cause of the accident was then begun by Superintendent Bradley and a force of deputies. It was learned that there was positively no boiler in the building and that the heavy lithographic press were not working when the accident occurred. The theory that the disaster was directly caused by faulty construction is being born out by the facts which are slowly coming in.

Up to noon today the list of bodies recovered numbered twenty-five, of which ten remain unidentified. The only one recovered to date which has been identified was that of John Steinke, aged 43, of Jersey City.

The work of removing the debris was greatly accelerated this afternoon. The Italian laborers had been notoriously inefficient and in their place stalwart longshoremen were substituted. They pulled a mammoth press from the ruins and another body of a man was discovered beneath it.

At 3 o'clock the bodies of three women were found. A few minutes later three more bodies were found—two women and one man. The three women were identified as Maggie Quinn, aged 18; Mrs. Lottie Hein, 35; and Mammie Williams, 25.

District Attorney Nicoll is already considering the question of indicting the person or persons responsible for the Park place disaster. After a long consultation with his chief assistant, ex-Judge Bedford, he placed the case in the hands of Assistant District Attorney Townsend.

Secretary Wm. Randall, of the board of fire underwriters, issued a call for a meeting of the board to-day to consider whether any of the insurance companies are liable for damages either to the Taylor building or to the stock in the flimsy structure. A clause of the policy which provides for these peculiar cases, reads that if a building falls except as a result of fire the insurance shall be void.

The Worst Yet to Come.

New York, Aug. 25.—At 12:30 a. m. the sum total of the bodies recovered from the ruins was thirty-four. The number positively identified is seen from the list of names given below. Missing eight—This would indicate that 123 persons lost their lives by the collapse of the building.

The worst part of the tragedy is yet to come, as evidenced by a fearful stench which indicates unknown horrors and an almost inestimable number of bodies buried underneath the weight of rubbish and machinery.

THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC.

Figures Received by the Bureau of American Republics in Relation to the Sugar and Alcohol Industries in the Argentine Republic—A Steady Increase in Production.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—The bureau of American republics has received official statistics relative to the progress of the sugar industry in the province of Tucuman in the Argentine republic. The gross value of the crop this year is estimated at \$12,750,000, as compared with \$6,169,000 in 1889.

THE MEREDOSIA NEWS.

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THE HAPPY LAND OF SLEEP.

Oh, sweet and wondrous mystery—the mystery of sleep!

The gentle fall of tired eyelids on a tired cheek. The slow-drawn breath that comes and goes as light as a shuttle-down.

The blessed relaxation that smooths away the wrinkles of the brow.

That wipes the troubled creases from forehead and white and fair.

That almost turns to gold again the silver in the hair!

So sweet is sleep, so wondrous sweet is this strange mystery.

This beautiful and precious gift God gives to us and me!

We dream, and dream, and dream again—we tread enchanted ground;

The poorest of us all may know the luxuries of life.

The toiling ones among us may rest from care and strife.

The saddest of us may delight in laughter and in song.

The sinniest among us may forget his sense of wrong.

For, oh, a land more bright and fair than Eden's Paradise is found in richest beauty before the dreamer's eyes!

How tender in its mystery is that swift moment when we lose our hold upon the world and drift and lose again!

In flowery fields of silver upon a rose lit sky. Past soft-shedding summer shores and under bending trees.

And up clear shining rivers, where water-lilies like tiny cream-white cloudlets upon a liquid sky!

Where but to stretch an eager hand is all we have to do.

And what we long for is our own—ah, if we only knew!

The reason why, when we awake and see our empty hands.

And know that we've been wandering in Slum-berry happy lands.

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PITH AND POINT.

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The wheat shipments to the east are beginning to fall favorably on the earnings of the big railroads. A great revenue in general trade is also setting in.

The failure of the wheat crop in Europe is a calamity to that region, but it is mitigated by the fact that the United States has a big surplus which it is disposing of at reasonable prices.

The recent frosts have injured the late wheat slightly in one or two localities in the Northwest and have done a little damage to corn, but not enough to noticeably change the figures of the aggregate crop. A few days hence, however, corn will be in the well out of danger all over the country.

The refusal of the Georgia legislature to receive the confederate soldiers home from its frontiers and builders has resulted in an amount of forcibly expressed personalities between members that bids fair to result in more pronounced hostilities before things settle down to a peace basis again.

From all accounts the Park place calamity in New York seems to have been the result of a simple collapse, without an explosion. The theory of explosion might be convenient for the landlord in this case, but it could not be hastily accepted without substantial evidence, particularly as similar collapses are liable to occur at any time if the building regulations are not strictly enforced.

A Chicago paper recently cited Vice-President Wilson as one holding that office who did not get a renomination. American political parties are not usually so hard pressed for available material from which to make vice-presidents as to be compelled to draw upon the graves of the departed; and it will doubtless be remembered that Mr. Wilson died somewhat early in his incumbency of the vice-presidential office.

They do things up in pretty slick style in the New York custom house. A lady who makes frequent trips across the pond, and who has the utmost contempt for the customs laws, does not trouble herself with any financial transactions with the inspectors on the dock. She simply hands her card to one of the customs clerks and her baggage is passed without question. The next day she is called on and her card is returned to her. She does the rest.

The magnificent opera wardrobe of the late Emma Abbott was sold at auction in New York the other day, and notwithstanding the dresses were mainly the production of the famous Worth, they went under the hammer for a mere song. It was an unfortunate selection of time for the sale, as at this season of the year most of the professional people who might have desired to possess some of the wardrobe are in the country, and business is concerned, and in consequence speculators secured bargains.

CAPT. J. W. LEE, Ninth Infantry, who recently inspected Troop L, Sixth Cavalry, recruited by Lieut. Edward E. Dravo, Sixth Cavalry, and stationed at Fort Niobrara, Neb., makes a very favorable report of the proficiency and general soldierly qualities of the troop. In everything that goes to make the good soldier—cleanliness, neatness in person and about grounds and quarters—they are all that the most exacting officer could desire, and their duties are attended to with cheerfulness and alacrity. The troop is composed entirely of brave Sioux Indians, fifty-five in number, taken from among the most turbulent of the tribe.

ANAPAHOC COUNTY, Col., in which the city of Denver is located, has a first-class opportunity for paying a pretty round sum as smart money to William Foyer, of Moberly, Mo., who, while under arrest for a technical offense against the United States, and confined temporarily in the Denver jail pending removal to Missouri, was made the victim of the most brutal treatment by the "kangaroo court" in the jail because he refused to be blackmailed by the thieves and felons confined there. The outrage was committed under the eyes of the jail guards, and resulted in Mr. Foyer lying unconscious for twenty-four hours and being confined to his bed for several days.

There seems to be a unanimity of ideas among the press of St. Louis in regard to the "pull" and the "push" having full control of affairs in the city. Thieves and known murderers can not be convicted because they have a "pull" and dishonest men get positions in the municipal departments because they are in the "pull" and the result the penal and eleemosynary institutions are managed in a manner that would be a disgrace to a much lower order of civilization than American boast of; the jail is filled with unwholesome and vicious criminals walk the streets under "star" patronage by professional bondsmen; public wards are maltreated and neglected; judges who would do their duty are browbeaten in their own courts by "influence," and between the "pull" and "push" respectability is being steadily ground as between two millstones.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Compiled from Various Sources.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.
On the 27th Hon. S. C. Pomeroy, ex-United States senator from Kansas, died at the residence of Mrs. J. C. Whittin, at Whitesville, Mass., in the 76th year of his age.

A Munich dispatch denies that Prince Bismarck shows any signs of bad health, and says he was never more vigorous.

LATEST NEWS FROM CHILI, up to the 26th, indicated the complete defeat of government forces and the occupation of Valparaiso by the insurgents. The government loss in the battles preceding the occupation of Valparaiso was very heavy, the killed being estimated at 5,000. President Balmaceda had fled and President-elect Viala sought the protection of one of the foreign vessels in the harbor.

It is said that Gen. William Wells, of Burlington, Vt., formerly collector at Burlington, who was breveted brigadier-general for bravery on the field, and of whom Sheridan spoke as one of his best cavalry officers, may be named as the successor of Secretary of War Proctor.

ON THE 28th Judge John F. Dillon, of New York, was elected president of the American Bar Association, in session in Boston. A report was admitted urging all the states to appoint committees on uniformity of state laws.

In an article in the London Deutsche Review, Lord Lorne insists that the Argentine republic should become a German colony "for the reason that that country is destined, sooner or later, to become European by means of a protectorate."

CHILIAN NEWS up to the 26th gave accounts of the terrible excesses of a mob in Santiago, the capital, previous to its surrender to the victorious congressionalists. The residence of President-Balmaceda and those of some of his ministers and warmest adherents, together with the government newspaper offices, were fired and destroyed after being plundered of their valuables, and a regular reign of terror inaugurated. Balmaceda fled, and is supposed to be making his way to Buenos Ayres.

MAJ. H. C. SEIPLE, a lawyer of Montgomery, Ala., and Maj. H. S. Short, president of the Alabama railroad commission, have filed applications for the vacancy in the interstate commerce commission caused by the death of Commissioner Bragg.

DR. O'BRIEN'S wife, who was dragged on in a barrow by a horse on the 29th, hauled upon an immense stringer. After he had thrown the fish into the boat it made a leap and struck O'Brien on the leg near the knee, nearly severing it.

THE PRESIDENT of Mexico has decided on a firm economic policy, owing to the stringency existing in foreign money markets.

THE SUPERINTENDENT of the Dominion government printing bureau, Andre Groulx, has been dismissed as a fugitive from justice. He was charged with obtaining over \$20,000 in "commissions" or gifts from those who sold goods to him in his capacity as superintendent of the printing bureau.

CENSUS AGENT PETROFF has returned to San Francisco from Alaska, having completed the census of that territory. The figures closely represent the population in 1890: Aleuts, 900; Indians, 5,000; Esquimaux, 18,000; Chinese, 2,300; whites, 4,800. This is a decrease of 2,000 in ten years, but during that time the white and Chinese populations have increased largely.

ON THE 26th, a construction train, south-bound, on the railroad between Savannah, Ga., and Columbia, S. C., was wrecked 40 miles west of Savannah. Two men were instantly killed and five wounded, probably fatally.

THE FUGITIVE from justice who was alleged to have been cremated in a burned cabin near Terre Haute, Ind., put up a job to deceive the authorities. Color is refused to the belief since it is ascertained that he carried \$40,000 life insurance.

ON THE 26th southwestern Austria and northern Italy were swept by a terrible thunder-storm, causing much damage to property and the loss of many lives.

ON THE NIGHT of the 27th there was a destructive storm at Berlin, N. Y. Crops were destroyed and houses carried away. Miss Addie Taylor, aged 25, and Charles Smith were drowned. At Hong's Corners a mill and tenement house and two iron bridges were washed away.

ON THE 26th the preliminary examination of witnesses summoned to testify in regard to the Park place disaster was begun by Assistant District Attorney Townsend, of New York. The testimony introduced was contradictory.

ON THE 26th a youth named Ballet, convicted of a number of murders under circumstances of exceptional atrocity, was guillotined at Douai, France. He joked and laughed during the march to the guillotine, refusing the spiritual offices of the priests, and shouted "Vive la Republique."

THE MOST AUDACIOUS robbery on record is reported from Kingman, Kas. A man passing himself off as John Marwick (a non-resident farmer) hired threshers and had threshed and pocketed the proceeds of ten stacks of wheat, amounting to \$800 with which he expected Marwick has the straw for his season's work.

It is now thought that the terrible accident at the North Carolina railroad was the work of two tramps who had been put off a train near the bridge where the wreck occurred, as the nuts from the bolts of the loosened rail were found on a rock near the bridge.

ON THE 28th Thos. Daven, aged 25, a farmer who lived three miles from Red Bank, N. J., was murdered by a gang of Italians.

AT ALBINA, Ore., warrants have been issued for the arrest of L. N. Carson and R. B. Lower on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses by carrying on an alleged loan association called the "New Jersey Building and Loan association," which, it is asserted, was fraudulent.

MRS. LLOYD, of Salina, Pa., while chastising her 13-year-old son, accidentally struck him across a pocket containing a quantity of toy pistol caps, which exploded, stripping all the clothing from the lad and burning him terribly about the hips and sides.

ON THE 28th Mrs. S. H. Rummer, wife of a well-known Binghamton (N. Y.) restaurateur, was burned to death in a small fire which occurred in her bedroom. She was in the habit of reading in bed, and it is supposed she upset the lamp and set fire to the bed.

MISCELLANEOUS.
HINDSTANT, Martin County, Ind., in 1820 was an important manufacturing and trading post. Eastern capitalists owned all the business and the town was settled by eastern people. In 1823, when it was made the county seat, it had a population of 6,000. An epidemic, thought to be cholera, carried off the people by the thousands. The town was soon depopulated, and where once the town stood is now a field of corn.

A SIX-DAY international bicycle race will be held in the Madison Square garden, New York city, beginning October 18. All competitors will use high, ordinary wheels, and every country will be represented in the contest. A competitor, in order to secure a share of the prize receipts, will have to cover at least 1,800 miles.

ADVISES AT HALIFAX, N. S., from the Pacific coast, are that the Nova Scotia steamer, the *Albatross*, which left Halifax on the 21st, and the *Albatross*, which left on the 22nd, had not been heard from, but it is believed she made a good haul. These three vessels are understood to have captured \$100,000 worth of skins.

AT NEWARK, Ark., the typhoid fever continues to spread, and reports of deaths from the disease are being received. Several additional cases are reported, and it is estimated that 100 persons are now stricken. There are nearly fifty cases in the different hospitals.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

NINE members of the Kite Arctic expedition, which sailed from Seattle, N. S., on the 31st, and left for New York at once. They went as far north as 77 deg., 43 min.; west 70 deg., 20 min., where they found a rocky country, but where flowers were growing luxuriantly, although vegetation did not reach a greater height than six or eight inches. They bring interesting collections of various plants, flowering herbs and butterflies, among them some previously unknown specimens. They found all published charts of Greenland to be incorrect.

ANOTHER large party of Hebrew refugees were landed at the barge office at New York, on the 31st, from the Cunard steamer *Entruria*. They were detained by the immigration authorities for examination. Many of them were ill, and came to this country with their families because they had been deceived into believing that they would be welcomed here, and provided with homes by this government.

TIMOTHY HOPKINS, it is said, has refused an offer of \$5,000,000 to withdraw his opposition to his adopted mother's will, by which he bequeathed solely to her second husband the thirty odd millions left her by her first husband, Mark Hopkins, of San Francisco. He will file his claim on the 17th.

ON THE 31st Charles Ross, a New York butcher, slipped and fell over the ladder from which he was trying to hang a side of beef, and was himself impaled upon a hook, which pierced his heart. Before his fellow-workmen could release him he was dead.

THE ROCKINGHAM house at Narragansett Pier, Mass., was damaged \$150,000, at 3 o'clock on the morning of the 31st, by a fire which broke out in the kitchen. The fire was caused by a gas leak, and all around and rescued, with a loss, however, of personal property equal to that on the building.

THE MOST VIOLENT typhoon that has visited oriental seas for years, struck the Japanese coast on the evening of August 16, causing a loss of 200 lives and the destruction of much shipping and other property.

SEVEN persons were killed and many injured by an explosion of fire-damp in the Malago colliery, in Somersetshire, England, at 3 a. m., on the morning of the 31st. Two persons, also, are missing.

TWO MORE bodies were taken from the Park place (New York city) ruins, on the 31st, and the search, which had been abandoned as completed, was vigorously renewed.

ILLINOIS STATE NEWS.

An Important Ruling.
A decision of value to business men and banks was rendered by Judge Brown in the Cook county court the other day, and covers the question whether the confessing of judgments by an insolvent debtor constitutes a voluntary assignment for the benefit of all creditors. The American Cutlery Co. made application for a citation requiring the individual members of Joseph Bros. & Co. to submit to examination relative to their condition and extent of the estate of the firm, and to compel Sheriff Gilbert to file a bond as assignee and present a schedule of the assets of the debtor. Petitioners alleged that on August 12 the debtors, voluntarily executed and caused judgments to be entered against them, under which executions the sheriff took possession of their stock. Upon these facts the court was asked to hold that Joseph Bros. & Co. had made a voluntary assignment for the benefit of all creditors. In deciding the matter, Judge Brown said:

In the case at bar no assignee is named, suggested or contemplated by the confession of judgments, which are in the usual form, nor is any property described as being conveyed by those instruments to any person in trust for the benefit of creditors or otherwise. In all the Illinois cases in which courts have held that an assignment is made by the confession of judgments, which are in the usual form, nor is any property described as being conveyed by those instruments to any person in trust for the benefit of creditors or otherwise. In all the Illinois cases in which courts have held that an assignment is made by the confession of judgments, which are in the usual form, nor is any property described as being conveyed by those instruments to any person in trust for the benefit of creditors or otherwise. 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Announcement.

At the request of many friends I hereby announce myself as candidate for County Commissioner for Morgan county subject to the decision of the Democratic primaries.
JNO. McDONALD.

ONE of the hardest things in all public affairs is to keep the brass band from mistaking itself for the entire procession.

PRESIDENT HARRISON will be only fifty-nine when he has to face the music next, but it is very likely he will cut up like sixty.

A FRUIT merchant in New York sold this season to one restaurant 18,000 pineapples for making pineapple syrup for soda water.

THE screaming partisan press avers that silver is not the issue. We wish it were and they would deposit the whole issue to our credit.

COL. TOM COCHILTRINE says that if Ingalls is worth \$500 a night for lecturing, an auferouser-haired oratorical cyclone from Texas should be worth twice as much for keeping still.

ANDREW CARNEGIE is, of course, disturbed at the thought of the labor troubles hanging over the iron and coal trades of the country; but it is only when he hears that the grouse on the Scottish moors are dying off by the thousands that he breaks into cold sweats and is unable to enjoy his usually placid sleep.

AN autograph letter of Abraham Lincoln to a friend is said to contain the following: "Do not worry. Eat three square meals a day. Say your prayers. Think of your wife. Be courteous to your creditors. Keep your digestion good. Steer clear of billiouness. Exercise. Go slow and easy. Maybe there are other things that your special case requires to make you happy, but my friends, these, I reckon will give you a good lift."

THINGS that no town can have too much of: Enterprise, harmony, good schools, churches, cordiality, advertising, endeavors to make it healthy, talk about its advantages, efforts to improve its appearance, patronage of its merchants, mechanics and every one who seek to earn an honest living, faith in the future, exemplified by works, a disposition to help all public spirited citizens, a disposition to stand by the man who advocates what cannot fail to build it up and make his future more prosperous.—Rustic.

A WESTERN paper gives the carping kicker a little plain talk after this fashion: "If you are a kicker and see the shadows of a failure in everything that is proposed to help the town, for heavens sake go into some secluded canyon and kick your own shadow on the clay bank and thus give the men who are working to build up the town a chance. One long-faced, hollow-eyed, whinnying kicker can do more to keep away business and capital from a town than all drouth, short crops, chinch bugs, cyclones and blizzards combined."

It is supposed by many that flowers should be carefully kept away from sick people, that they exhaust the air or communicate to it some harmful quality. This may, in a degree be true of such strong fragrant blossoms as lilacs and garden lilies, but of more delicately scented ones no such effect need be apprehended. A well-aired room will never be made close or unwholesome by a nosegay of roses, hyacinth or violets, and the subtle cheer which they bring in with them is infinitely reviving to weary eyes and depressed spirits.

THE important question of the admission to the world's fair in '93 is practically settled. Fifty cents will be demanded of every one entering the gates, but, the money once paid, the visitor will be entitled to see everything on the grounds. There will be no side shows. To encourage people who bring exhibits from a great distance and at a great expense licenses will be granted for the selling of goods. It will be impossible to buy an ivory-back scarabaeus from an Egyptian princess, but it will cost nothing extra to see any of the exhibits.

It is unfortunate that almost every town is cursed with three or four long-tongued gossips, who delight to recant people's short-comings and are never at ease without they are maligning their neighbors. There is no legitimate use for them. Heaven will not admit them, the devil doesn't want the harmony of his kingdom disturbed and they just remain on earth to blight and blast the character of those they unfortunately come in contact with.—Exchange.

THE recent rains have moved a Republican valley farmer to poetry, as follows: "A short time since, the cow was sad; she scarce could lift her head, bodad. Her hoofs were sore, her tail was limp; her mane and bangs had lost their crisp. The owner, too, looked blue and glum, and cussed the cattle business some. But since the rains the grass is tall; the cow can raise her head and bawl. Her hide is slick, no bones protrude; she prances like a city dude. Her tail is slick, her eyes are bright; she snorts and dares the crowd to fight. God bless the rain, it makes a man feel young again. He feels like tossing up his hat and howling like a Democrat."—[Kansas Ex.

If one could believe half the reports that are now being circulated throughout the country about the "mysterious and strange disease" among cattle, he would soon reach the conclusion that there wasn't a healthy bullock in existence. It is an ailment that somebody has heard of before, and it certainly don't speak well for the veterinarians. The fact is that as soon as a cow gets the colic or a bad cold the reports goes out that the whole country is infected and are dying by thousands. A report never, never grows smaller as it flies. Of course cattle do get sick and cattle die same as anything else which is mortal, but it is hardly probably that they are progressive enough to have a new disease every year just to baffle the skill of the doctors.—Dover's Journal.

THE slanderer's tongue is an evil to society which cannot be estimated and the slanderer should be shunned as one would shun a poisonous reptile. When once started he does not stop even when treading upon the sacred threshold of woman's good name. The most trivial circumstances are distorted into harm and when the male or female slanderer's tongue begins to wag, very devils in hades stand by and applaud the character destroying work while good people blush at the fallen condition of their fellow man. The slanderer who deals out his venom as secretly and effectually as the dagger applies the stiletto at the dead of night, felling to the ground with one stroke his inoffensive victim, will never get his deserts until he becomes a subject of the dominion of his satanic majesty. He or she may succeed in hiding their detestable traits of character for a while but it is bound to come out sooner or later, and then they are spurned by all men who love virtue and hate deception and character assassination.—Ex.

Harvest Excursion.

The Jacksonville Southeastern Line are arranging a series of Harvest Excursions to points in Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado, Wyoming, South Dakota, Utah, Idaho, Arkansas, Indian Territory and Texas. These excursions will be run August 25th and 29th. Rates and particulars can be obtained of any Agent J. S. R. Line or the undersigned.
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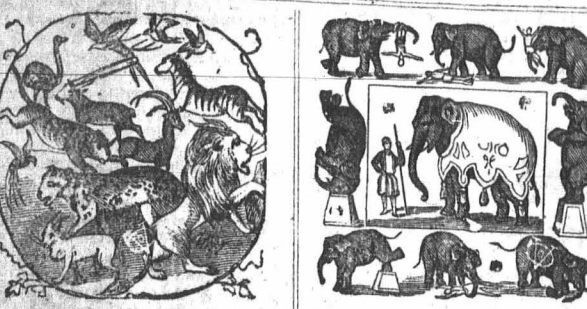
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—Keep your eye on G. W. Graham.
—Empty houses are a scarce article in this place.
—Mrs. George, of Quincy, was visiting friends in this place last week.
—The brick are on the ground for D. Watts new jewelry store.
—Regular services at the M. E. church last Sunday morning and evening.

If your watch, clock or jewelry needs repairing call on D. Watts.
—Quite a number from this place will attend the Morgan County Fair to-day.
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—David Brakeville was a caller at THE NEWS office Monday morning on business.

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—Harry Montgomery, County Superintendent of Schools, spent the day fishing in this place last Thursday.
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—We understand that there was a gentleman from Kansas here a few days since negotiating with Dr. C. R. Ray for the purpose of running the new hotel.
—A Maryland woman has a goose which was given her when she was twenty-one years old. Lots of women still have the goose they got on their wedding day.

—A Grand Free Balloon Ascension and death defying Parachute Drop is one of the free attractions to be seen in connection with E. O. Rogers' Shows, at Meredosia, Friday, Sept. 11.
—George Stokes, disposed of his property in this place last week to Al. Ham, of near Champaign. Mr. Ham moved in to the property last Monday. We welcome him and his family to our midst.

—A correspondent asks us the origin of the phrase, "He's hot in it." It was first used by an editor who died and went to heaven and looked around for the man who took his paper three years and then left it in the post office marked, "Refused."
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—A man or woman who is popular with everybody is a "friend indeed" to nobody.
—If you were to take the conceit out of some people the remains would defy identification.
—Invitations will soon be issued for a grand ball to be given by the G. A. R. at the new opera house.
—Enoch Hyde moved to Jacksonville this week, and George Stokes occupies the property vacated by him.
—Jim Boyd has a watermelon that pulls the scales at 65 pounds. Who can beat it. It is of the rattlesnake variety.

—Chas. Hauser has sold his place to Mrs. Vandeventer and he now occupies the Skinner property in the east part of town.
—Mrs. Jno. Miller who has been very sick for the past five or six weeks, is now able to sit up for a little while at a time.
—T. K. Ball who has been confined to his home by sickness for the past two weeks is able to be on the streets once more.
—J. S. Samuels, a former resident of this place, but now of Jacksonville, was among friends in this place last Thursday.

—Uncle Staff Smith and wife, after an absence of over three months visiting with friends and relatives in the East, returned last week.
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The Crusade of Jacob and His
Family for Bread.

Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage delivered the following discourse, apropos of harvest time, in the Brooklyn tabernacle, taking for his text:

ever weeps, I have to report on our suffering harvest and that the Lord and others are ever wroth. If the grain granaries do not somehow wreck these harvests, we are about to enter upon the grandest scene of prosperity that America has ever witnessed. But while this is so in our own country, on the other side of the Atlantic there are nations threatened with famine, and in such a case every that is said will fear be uttered, that is for bread. I pray God that the contrast between our prosperity and their want may not be so sharp as in the lands referred to by my text. There was nothing to eat. Plenty of corn in Egypt, but scanty famine in Canaan. The catfish and children awfully white with hunger. Not the falling of one crop for

The morning for starting out on the crusade for bread has arrived. Jacob gets his family up very early. But before the elder sons start they say some words of advice to the younger ones. "Emotion from head to foot, and bursts into tears. The fact was that these elder sons had once before been in Egypt to get corn, and they had been treated somewhat roughly, the lord of the corn-crib supplying them with corn, but saying at the close of the interview: 'I will not be your slave; you must come for your corn unless you bring something better than money—even your younger brother, Benjamin.' Ah! Benjamin—that very name was suggestive of all tenderness. The mother had died at the birth of that son—a spirit coming and an angel's spirit going. The very thought of him, peering with Benjamin, with a beating heart—the keeper of the

Well, the bread party—the bread embass—drives up in front of the corn-crib of Egypt. These corn-cribs are filled with wheat and barley, and corn in the husk, for those who have traveled in Canaan and Egypt know that there is corn there corresponding with our Indian maize. Huzza! the journey

Well, my friends, this world is famine-struck of sin. It does not yield a single crop of solid satisfaction. It is dying. It is hungry-bitten. The fact that it does not, can not, rest, is a main reason why it is so full of madmen and the English comedian. All the world honored him—did everything for him that the world could do. He was applauded in England and applauded in America. He was the life of the parties into laughter. He had no equal. And yet, although many people supposed him entirely happy, and that this world was completely satisfying his soul, he sits down, and writes: "I am not a happy man. I am not a new hat that it did not rain and ruin it. I never went out in a shabby coat because it was raining and thought all who had the choice to wear a new one. I am not a tree not burst forth in its strength and bring out with it all the butterflies of fashion whom I knew and who knew me. I never consented to accept a part of it, out of kindness to another, that I might be able to give it to a third." By the writer. I could not take a

"Madonna and the Child." The royal family came in and admired it. Everybody that looked at it was in ecstasy; but one day, after all that toil, and all that admiration, because he did not get as much compensation for it as a mallet and dashed the exquisite sculpture into atoms. The world is poor compensation, poor satisfaction, poor solace. Famine, famine in all the earth; not for seven years, but for six thousand. But, blessed be God, there is a great consolation in the world, and it is in another land, it is a large place. An angel once measured it, and as far as I can calculate it in our phrase, that corn-crib is fifteen hundred miles long and fifteen hundred broad and fifteen hundred high; and it is so large that the Lord himself can say the people, "We will start right away and get this supply for our soul." But stop a moment; for from the keeper of that corn-crib there comes this word, saying: "You shall not see my face except your brother be with you." And so, if you are to be admitted as getting from Heaven pardon, and comfort, and eternal life, unless we bring with us our Divine brother, the Lord Jesus Christ. Coming without Him, we shall fall before we reach the corn-crib, and our bodies shall be a possession of the devil. But if we come, not coming with the Divine Jesus, all the granaries of Heaven will swing open before our soul, and abundance will be given us. We shall be invited to sit in the palace of the King and at the table; and while the Lord of Heaven is opening up the granaries of the world of tables, He will not forget us; and then and there it will be found that our Benjamin's mess is larger than the others, for so it ought to

be. "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, to receive blessing, and riches and honor, and glory, and power."

I want to make three points: Every frank and common-sense man will acknowledge himself to be a sinner. What are you going to do with your sins? Have them pardoned, you say.

when she gave her child over into the hands of strangers, was nothing compared with the struggles of God when He gave up His only Son. The Omnipotent God, who created the world, did not Christ appropriately call "Son of the right hand"? Did not Stephen look into Heaven and see Him standing at the right hand of God? And does not the right hand of God making intercession for us? *Son of our Victors!* The deepest emotions of our souls ought to be stirred at the sound of that nomenclature. In your prayers, remember His sufferings, His sorrows and His death.

My text also suggests this reason why so many people do not get any real comfort. You meet ten people; nine are hypocrites, and one is a man of conscience. There is something in their health, or in their state, or in their domestic condition that demands sympathy. And yet the most of the world's sympathies "people to the wrong crib or they go in the wrong way." When the plague was in Rome a

depart them. Do not keep the
 deranged always in your mind." How
 can you forget them when you are every
 in the current and every book, every
 thing that comes out of your pen
 bears their name. Suppose I come to you and
 say by way of condolence: "God is wise."
 "Oh! you," that gives me no help."
 Suppose I come to you and say: "God
 from all eternity, has arranged this
 trouble." "You say," you say, "that
 is no help." "The God who has
 made the world." "With the swift
 feet of prayer go direct to the corn-
 crib for a heavenly supply." You go.
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 world, are the wounds of my soul, and
 I bring with me the wounds of Jesus. Let
 His wounds pay for my wounds, His
 bereavements for my bereavements,
 His loneliness for my loneliness, His
 heart-break for my heart-break. O
 Jesus, the God who has made the
 world, the God, the man, the Benjamin,
 the Brother—deliver my agonized soul.
 O Jesus of the weary foot, ease my
 fatigue. O Jesus of the aching head,
 heal my aching head. O Jesus of the
 Bethany sisters, roll away the stone
 from the door of my heart. O Jesus,
 the kind of prayer that brings help,
 and yet how many of you are getting
 no help at all, for the reason that
 there is in your soul, perhaps, a secret
 trouble. You may never have men-
 tioned it to a single human ear, or you
 may have mentioned it to a single one
 who is now gone away, and yet the
 sorrows is still in your soul. After
 Washington Irving was dead they
 found a little box that contained a
 brand of hair and a miniature, and the
 name of Matilda Hoffman, and a memo-

something like this: "The world after that was a blank to me. I went into the country, but found no peace in solitude. I tried to go into society, but I found no peace in society. There has been a horror hanging over me by night and by day, and I am afraid to be alone."

Some Big Figures from Illinois—The Bureau of Statistics Gives a History of Illinois in Numbers, Showing Its Rapid Growth, Its Present Wealth and Population.

first census taken in Illinois was that of 1810, when, with 12,383 people, it stood twenty-fourth in rank as to population. No change is to be recorded in the relative standing in the next census (1820), when it had advanced to the twentieth place, with 25,517. But in 1830, with an increase to 55,211, it became the twentieth state in the number of citizens. From this point the advance became very rapid, and in 1840 the state assumed was fourth in rank, with a population of 120,434. In 1850 it advanced to the fourth, at which place it remained until the present census gives it position only preceded by New York and Pennsylvania. It is needless to say, that the growth of the state has been in public lands long since passed to private or corporate ownership. Indeed, during the last year the quantity disposed of by the government was just over 100 acres, a tract of marsh land in Kansas.

In the number of pupils enrolled in the public schools and the amount of money expended for educational purposes Illinois is in third place. The

It is a little contrary to the usual acceptance, but none the less true, that in the entire country a larger number of young men are studying for the Baptist ministry than any other denomination. The recruits to this denomination number 1,288, followed by the Methodists, who have 1,124, and then the Roman Catholics with 1,051. The Presbyterians have 836 students. The number of farm animals in Illinois is given as follows:

Horses, 1,139,778; value, \$79,214,576.
Hinds, 91,341; value, \$1,147,795.
Milch cows, 220,000; value, \$2,100,284.
Oxen and other cattle, 175,785; value, \$31,678,292.
Swine, 770,293; value, \$1,656,760.
Sheep, 149,268; value, 12,611,627.

With the exception of Texas Illinois has more horses than any other state, and in valuation the first place is taken.

In 1880 Illinois owed \$1,446,406; the reports for 1890 show that this has been reduced to \$1,184,907. The county indebtedness, exclusive of municipal and city indebtedness, sinking fund, was, in 1880, \$14,181,116; in 1890, \$10,818,380. The total debt, less sinking fund, 1880, \$15,697,600; 1890, \$12,991,287. In short, there was paid off, or provided for, in the decade \$8,336,313. The debt, less sinking fund, per capita in 1880 was \$5.05; in 1890, \$3.19.

Illinois has by far the largest railroad mileage of the states, the length being 18,067 miles.

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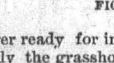
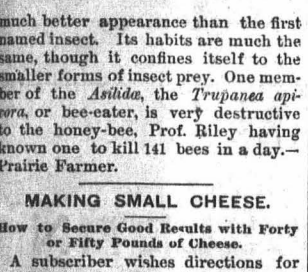


FIG. 1.



After the rennet is stirred in leave the milk in a warm place for about an hour when the curd is set.

A convenient way of setting the curd is to lay a square of muslin in the pan, securing the ends and pouring the milk into the muslin. When the curd is set the corners and edges of the muslin are drawn together and tied, and the whole lifted out and hung up to

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Plainville is to have a lodge of the Modern Woodmen.

Camp Point have their electric lights in running order.

A chicken on exhibition at Galesburg has four legs and four wings.

The Lewinston canning factory has contracted for ninety acres of tomatoes.

The Quincy flour mills consume 12,000 bushels of wheat every twenty-four hours.

John Wren was robbed of his shoes, socks and hat in broad day light at Hannibal.

A Hannibal (Mo.) man won a wager of five dollars by eating two pounds of Limburger cheese in five minutes.

A 12-year old boy arrived in Roseville, McDonough county, last week, having made the journey from Sweden alone.

George Oblander, a Bushnell furniture dealer, has made an assignment to C. C. Chalm, editor of the Bushnell Democrat.

And now they are talking of putting in an electric light system at Winchester. What's the matter of putting one in here?

Two young men at LaHarpe were fined \$200 each and costs for illegally selling liquor, and they have left for parts unknown.

The barn of David Watkins, three miles from Perry, was struck by lightning and burned. The loss was \$1,500, with a small insurance.

The health commissioners of Galesburg have stopped the sale of milk in that city on account of the disease prevalent among the cattle.

Five barns were struck by lightning and their contents burned, between Colusa and Dallas City during last Friday and Saturday's storm.

The citizens of Beardstown have voted favorable to water-works and the city authorities are considering the different systems proposed.

Two brothers who live near Greenbush married a mother and daughter. What relation will the children of the respective couples be to each other? Julius Sauerwein, an aged German inmate of the Adams county poor farm, fell from the third story window of one of the buildings and broke his neck.

Wm. Phillips, of Disco, just north of the Hancock county line, found a copper infernal machine on his premises that would cause immense havoc if exploded.

Henry U. Slippery, formerly of Beverly, in attempting to drive a bull out of his yard near Burlington, Ia., was knocked down and gored to death by the infuriated animal.

John St. John, a mail carrier between Warsaw and Lima, was killed at Warsaw last Friday, and a Mrs. Durfee seriously injured by being thrown from the road cart.

Farmers in Hancock county report an alarming prevalence of foot and mouth disease among horses, cattle and calves. The animals die of starvation but the disease is not necessarily fatal.

A full-blooded Arabian was born in Bushnell last week. The child's parents are peddlers who came to this country from Damascus some five months ago and cannot speak a word of English.

A new postoffice has been established in Camden township, Schuyler county, at what is known as the old Greenwell mill. The name of the new office is Ashville, and the postmistress is Mrs. James Ash, whose husband will carry the mail from that point to Wayland, making three trips a week.

A most infamous crime was revealed this week when an illegitimate child was born to an insane young woman in this city. There is no evidence to show what blackhearted scoundrel is the little wail's father, and its mother is too badly demoralized to tell a straight story, even if she remembered it.—Bushnell Record.

A new pest has made its appearance in the vicinity of Philo, Champaign county. It is a small black bug, much smaller than the gnat. Door and window screens are no bar to its progress. One old lady says that this bug always precedes the cholera, and that its ancestors were here by millions in the summer preceding the cholera epidemic of '32 and '53. It was first thought to be the outleuse.

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The husk of the Indian corn is being used for the manufacture of paper.

There are dudes in society who convey the idea that their diet is calf's brain.

Considering that the earth is three-fourths water, it is a little surprising that some folks want it.

A St. Louis man is going to walk to Chicago on a wire. It is remarkable the expedients which a St. Louis man will adopt to get to Chicago.

If you will but notice it, there are more learned fools in the world than ignorant ones: or is it because they have better facilities for exhibiting their foolishness.

There is an island near Menominee, Mich., which is literally alive with worms that swarm over everything, and another one that is so infested by snakes that no one will visit it.

An umbrella providing company is to be organized in this country which will loan umbrellas. It will have hard work inducing people to borrow what they think they have a perfect right to steal.

A Connecticut man who wanted to kiss all the ladies in the neighborhood attributed his mania to excessive smoking. If this shall be accepted as a valid excuse tobacco will have a boom in Connecticut.

A Chicago minister declares that people who ride bicycles are "riding straight to perdition." It is dollars to doughnuts that that preacher, some time in his career took a violent "header" and is sore over it yet.

It is claimed by a lady of some note that "corsets have filled more graves than whiskey." We wouldn't advise women to discard the corset and buy a jug of whiskey. A tight corset and a whiskey tight are both smiled upon and encouraged in their work by Old Death, but without the aid of the latter he would be greatly handicapped and the potter's field would sink into oblivion.

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